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ATE RAT POISON.

Eight-Year-Old Boy Dead—Three Other Children Ill.

Spokane, Sept. 21.—A "rat biscuit" found in an empty store room at Mallon avenue by the children of Jacob Lesser, who lives in the rooms upstairs, caused the death of one boy and the illness of three other children.

Reuben, an 8-year-old boy, found the "biscuit" and mistaking them for crackers, he ate considerable of the stuff and then divided his find with the other children. The boy ate the poisoned biscuit about 1 o'clock. He died about 3

or 10 p.m. The other children who had eaten only a little of the poison are not seriously ill.

After a week's visit on Mount Desert Island, marked by many entertainments, the Archbishop of Canterbury left Thursday night for Washington on a special train, routed by way of Portland, Worcester, Albany and Philadelphia.

Capt. R. Colledani, of the Australian steamer *Austria*, which has arrived at Manila from Shanghai, says he was offered \$25,000 to transport the crew and 26 officers of the Russian cruiser *Askold* from Shanghai to Russia.

STRENGTHENING THE BESIEGING ARMY

OYAMA REPORTED TO HAVE SENT MEN SOUTH

Japanese Dispersed a Force of Russians After Fight Northeast of Liao Yang.

(Associated Press.) Mukden, Sept. 23.—The situation here continues quiet. Small parties of Japanese skirmishers are pushing northward on the road from Bentziaputse to Fushan.

It is stated by Russian spies that Marquis Oyama detached a considerable force to co-operate with the army before Port Arthur.

The Russians have taken many Manchurian prisoners, among them being found a number of Chinese regular soldiers.

The weather has turned suddenly cold. The supply of uniforms is inadequate, and the soldiers are being supplied with Chinese padded overcoats, which have been bought in large quantities.

Chinese have brought into Mukden ten soldiers who had been rescued and cared for by natives, who fed them and brought them into the Russian lines. The Chinese had refused payment from the men, but they were suitably rewarded by the officers of the regiment.

The surgeon of one of the Siberian regiments, who was captured at Liao Yang, has arrived here. The Japanese found him tending the wounded. They treated him well, and entertained him at a concert in the famous Liao Yang summer garden, and offered him a position as surgeon in the Japanese army. Finding that he preferred his own regiment, the Japanese good-naturedly escorted him to the lines and allowed him to return to Mukden.

Capt. Shubert and four Buriat Cossacks have returned from a long scout south of the Japanese main army. The captain brings important information regarding the Japanese locations and regiments, and says active operations in this vicinity probably will develop within a few days.

Capt. Shubert experienced great kindness at the hands of the Chinese, who fed him and his men and offered to disguise them in Chinese clothing. This, however, was not necessary, as the party eluded the Japanese pickets, passing within a few yards of one, and reached the Russian lines in safety.

FIGHTING NORTHWEST OF LIAO YANG.

Tokio, Sept. 23.—A p.m.—An official telegram reports fighting have taken place at the towns of Tieling and Santungku, 60 miles northeast of Liao Yang on September 20th. The dispatch says: "Our detachment advanced through Heineichang on September 20th and attacked the enemy, consisting of one company of infantry, some cavalry and a machine gun, stationed at Tieling, and a battalion of infantry, five hundred cavalry, six quick-firing guns and one machine gun stationed at Santungku, which lies 8 miles north of Tieling.

"The Russians, who were driven off to the northwest, left nineteen dead behind them. We captured some spoils. Our losses were very small."

JAPANESE FORCES RESUME OFFENSIVE.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 23.—General Kourapatkin telegraphs that the Japanese have resumed the offensive from Bentziaputse, on the Pass, between the railroad between Mukden and Fushan, about 12 miles from Mukden.

BRITISH CRUISERS REACH LAS PALMAS.

Las Palmas, Canary Islands, Sept. 23.—The British cruisers *St. George* and *Brilliant* arrived here to-day.

A Las Palmas dispatch yesterday said the Russian cruiser *Terek*, which had been stopping at British vessels in the vicinity of Gibraltar, had begun coaling there, but that on instructions received from Madrid she had been ordered to leave Las Palmas, and was forbidden to take on board any more coal, any water or stores.

RUSSIANS BUY COAL FOR VLADIVOSTOK.

London, Sept. 23.—Russian agents are displaying great activity in securing coal at Liverpool for Vladivostok. They offer \$6 per ton plus three per cent, upon ship's departure and another \$3.75 on arrival at Vladivostok, the firms generally fighting shy, but a few ships having been dispatched to Hongkong.

JAPANESE GUNBOATS SAIL FOR PORT ARTHUR.

London, Sept. 22.—During the scarcity of news from Mukden, attention is again reverted to Port Arthur.

According to the Morning Post Japanese correspondent, two of the Russian forts the Japanese are said to have occupied in the vicinity of Shinkiang, are Nantai and Changkiatan and their value to the besiegers consists in the former being close to the Antushan forts and the latter to the Dragon hill forts, the object of the Japanese being to thrust a powerful wedge in the gap between the eastern and western fortifications through

which the railway passes to Port Arthur from the north. Antushan overlooks this gap and, though the Japanese failed to penetrate it sufficiently in the assault of three weeks ago, the persistency with which they returned to the charge is held to prove that the taking of the gap is an essential to the Japanese plan of campaign as it was a decade ago.

A mass of more or less reliable reports emanates from Chefoo, and elsewhere. According to the Daily Mail's Chief War Correspondent the Japanese at Port Arthur have mounted additional guns on positions captured in the last assault. An attack from the sea, the correspondent says, is now less effective owing to the continual high angle fire having seriously affected the heavy guns of the blockading fleet.

The correspondent at Tientsin of the Daily Telegraph, says that Japanese gunboats have left Yinkow preliminary to a renewal, and it is said, a final attack on Port Arthur.

PUTS THE BLAME ON ALEXIEFF AND ORLOFF.

Berlin, Sept. 22.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg to the Telegraph, apparently prompted by the Russian war department, puts the blame for Gen. Orloff's failure to hold the Yentai coal mines equally upon Viceroy Alexieff and Gen. Orloff. The correspondent says: "Alexieff detained Orloff on trivial pretexts so that he reached the mines at noon on September 1st, wholly unprepared as to the situation. Gen. Samsonoff transferred to him Gen. Kourapatkin's strict order to hold the mines at all costs; but when Orloff heard the commanding in the direction of Skywantun he marched toward that place, leaving Samsonoff alone to hold the mines."

"Gen. Kuroki fell on the left of the flank half an hour afterward. Orloff was completely surprised. His troops, composed mainly of reservists who had been long out of the service, were uncontrollable and broke, going in the direction of Yentai instead of back to the mines. Kourapatkin personally led the first Siberian corps in support of the hard pressed Samsonoff."

TRADE BETWEEN BRITAIN AND COLONIES

Speech Delivered at the Annual Banquet of Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

(Associated Press.) Montreal, Sept. 23.—The annual banquet of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in the Windsor hotel last night was a fitting climax to what is considered to have been the most successful convention in the history of the association. The speeches, which were not started until a late hour, were of notable character. The inaugural address of the new president, W. K. George, Toronto, was an eloquent plea for a broad Canadian and Imperial policy.

The toast of the evening, "Canada and the Empire," was proposed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who, in a brief speech, declared that uniformity of tariffs between the different parts of the Empire was an impossibility, and suggested trade treaties between the Mother Country and the colonies as a solution of the problem.

Sir Howard Vincent, in reply to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, said he could assure Canadians that the people of England would spare no effort to overcome the difficulties in the way of better trade relations with the colonies. Regarding the preferential tariff now in operation, he said he was sure that, according to the trade figures since its introduction, the result had been unsatisfactory to Canada.

Hon. R. H. McCarthy, Trinidad, said trade between West Indies and Canada was worth looking after, especially when Canada had reached a point where it desired to dispose of goods that had to be dumped somewhere. The dependence of West Indies, he regretted to say, relied more on the United States, but it was conceivable a time would come when the remarkable strides Canada was making.

Hon. G. E. Foster remarked that everybody was expecting the Premier to say something about the tariff, but he had said nothing. He was glad, however, that Sir Wilfrid Laurier was not opposed to better relations with the Mother Country. He strongly advocated preferential trade between the Mother Country and the colonies.

Hon. G. W. Ross, in proposing "Canadian Industry and Commerce," strongly advocated protection to Canadian industries, and suggested the erection of half a million dollar palace in London for the display of Canadian goods.

Addresses were delivered by F. D. Monk, M. P., Hon. W. Patterson, C. C. Ballantyne and others.

DIED AT BANQUET.

Fire Underwriter Expired While Responding to a Toast.

Frontenac, N. Y., Sept. 23.—Dent sat at the banquet of the members of the Western Union of Fire Underwriters last night. H. M. Magill, of Cincinnati, while responding to a toast celebrating the 25th anniversary of the organization, fell forward and died soon afterwards.

ENGINEERS AT OTTAWA.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Sept. 23.—The British engineers who are on their way to the international congress of engineers at St. Louis are guests of the city to-day. They received a royal welcome, and had luncheon at the Victoria hotel, Aymer.

THE ARCHBISHOP IN RAILWAY WRECK

DR. DAVIDSON AND PARTY ESCAPED UNINJURED

Special Train En Route to Washington From Bar Harbor Collided With Engine.

(Associated Press.) East Brookfield, Mass., Sept. 23.—A special train conveying the Archbishop of Canterbury from Bar Harbor, Me., to Washington, was wrecked near here to-day morning. The Archbishop was not injured, although considerably shaken up. J. Pierpont Morgan was also on the train and shaken up, but not hurt.

The special, running at the rate of sixty miles an hour, was just passing the station when a detached locomotive, which had been drawing a train on the North Brookfield branch, ran into the main line. The engineer of the special sighted a danger signal, but owing to the high speed of the train and the slippery rails, he found it impossible to more than slightly reduce the speed of his locomotive.

The engineer of the branch engine heard the crash of the special, but he had no time to move out of the way. The Archbishop's train struck the North Brookfield engine with a terrific crash and demolished it. The locomotive of the special was thrown from the rails and landed across the eastbound track near the wreck of the North Brookfield engine.

The cars did not leave the rails. Rev. J. Ellison, the Archbishop's secretary, answered for those in the Archbishop's private car, including Mrs. Davidson, saying that no one was injured.

With the Archbishop, besides Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Morgan, were Rev. H. H. Holden, and Rev. J. Ellison and attendant. It was rumored that a mind was hurt, but her injuries were not held to be serious.

Traffic on the road was blocked for some time.

CONTINUED JOURNEY.

East Brookfield, Mass., Sept. 23.—The Archbishop of Canterbury's special train, with a new engine, resumed its trip to Washington just before 10 o'clock.

The special train was once engaged by J. Morgan on behalf of the Archbishop. The locomotive, which had pulled the mixed train, was switching the cars in the yard. The branch engine was just over the switch on the main line when the locomotive of the special appeared around a curve about 100 yards away. The air brakes of the special were applied, but did not prevent it from striking the engine, which was picked up on the plot of the special, carried about 300 feet and then dropped in a heap. The wreckage blocked the opposite track.

JOHN REDMOND

Utters Warning to His Countrymen—Also Made a Prediction.

(Associated Press.) Chicago, Sept. 23.—To a big audience of his countrymen, John E. Redmond, Irish Nationalist, uttered this warning: "Our nation is slipping from its moorings, it is dying. If we are passive and inactive Ireland will cease to be the home of the Celt. There are more old men and little children, and fewer young men and women in this island than any other country on earth. The death of the race can only be warded off by action in the living present. We must not neglect an opportunity."

When he made this prediction: "We shall seize our opportunities; before the oldest man in this audience is dead, Ireland will have won a good measure of self-government."

Mr. Redmond declared he wanted to take back to Ireland with him \$50,000 subscribed by Irish-Americans. Following his plan, Chairman John P. Finerty announced that sympathetic Irishmen had already subscribed \$40,000.

Resolutions were adopted declaring the "certain fixed and positive demand of the Irish people is and forever shall be Home Rule for Ireland."

It was explained that by Home Rule was meant the vesting of the government of Ireland in a parliament assembled upon the soil of Ireland independent of alien influence.

ATTACKED BY STRIKERS.

Riot at the Pittsburgh Steel Company's Plant—Deputy Guard Fatally Shot.

(Associated Press.) Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 23.—G. W. Fidler, a deputy guard in the property of the Pittsburgh Steel Co.'s plant at Glassport, Pa., was fatally shot at midnight in a riot which broke out between about twenty-five strikers and the same number of men employed in the mill and deputies. Two non-union men employed in the plant were badly beaten with clubs and stones before they were able to get inside the mill. There was an exchange of fire from 25 to 40 shots before the deputies succeeded in scattering the strikers.

MAY VISIT TORONTO.

Toronto, Sept. 21.—Hon. Richard Harcourt has received a letter from Mr. John Morley, M. P., in which the celebrated English statesman expresses the hope of visiting Toronto next month.

SCHOOL CHILDREN KILLED.

Fell Into a Vault and a Number Lost Their Lives—Nine Bodies Recovered.

(Associated Press.) Cincinnati, Sept. 23.—During the morning recess to-day of the public school at Pleasant Ridge, about 20 miles north of this city, a number of children lost their lives.

When school recessed there was a playful rush into the outhouse, which gave way, precipitating about 20 children into the vault. Nine dead bodies have been recovered.

ODESSA DISTURBANCES.

Caused by Reserve Men Who, It Is Alleged, Refused to Go to the Far East.

(Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, Sept. 23.—The disturbances which occurred at Odessa last week are now said not to have been anti-Jewish but anti-military, and to have been caused by reserve men who, it is alleged, refused to go to the Far East.

A detachment of regular troops sent to suppress the disturbance is said to have refused to obey orders.

LADY CURZON.

Slight Improvement Reported but Her Condition Is Still Critical.

(Associated Press.) London, Sept. 23.—The condition of Lady Curzon is still critical, but was slightly improved this morning. A dispatch from Walmer Castle says her strength is well maintained.

ANXIETY FOR BULLETINS.

Simla, India, Sept. 23.—The greatest concern is felt here because of Lady Curzon's illness, and the latest bulletins regarding her condition are anxiously awaited.

SALMON SEINING OUT IT WAS SEIZED

At Oyster River, Vancouver Island by Dominion Government Tug—Ten Men Arrested.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Sept. 23.—The Dominion government tug *Ruth* arrived last night, having seized a large salmon-seining outfit at Oyster river, Vancouver Island. Americans were operating it.

The *Ruth* had in tow a small steamer, two scows, and brought a thousand dollars worth of nets.

Ten men were arrested, six being left in charge of the police at Qualicum Cove and four being brought to Vancouver.

WILL BUILD RAILWAY.

Work to Be Commenced Immediately on Line From Midway to Princeton.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Sept. 23.—Messrs. Farrington and Ward, of the Great Northern, left here this morning for the Similkameen. Traffic Manager J. C. Eden returned from there yesterday, and the first mentioned officials heard his report.

He reported in favor of the immediate construction of a railway from Midway to Princeton by way of Hedley City, in view of the large mining development.

Mr. Eden's report is to be acted upon at once and Messrs. Ward and Farrington are going up to make the final arrangements.

DAMAGE REACHES MILLIONS.

Great Havoc Wrought by the Forest Fires in Columbia County.

(Associated Press.) Portland, Ore., Sept. 23.—Timber men who have visited Columbia county reported that recent forest fires in that section have destroyed timber to the value of \$8,000,000. Most of the timber destroyed was owned by eastern capitalists.

MURDERED HIS WIFE.

Ogden, Utah, Sept. 22.—Joseph Kendall, a laborer, shot and killed his wife yesterday in a Twenty-fifth street restaurant. He attempted to shoot Roger, the proprietor of the place, and another man, but his gun failed to work. He gives as cause for his deed his wife's infidelity.

Kendall was divorced from a former wife four years ago and a few months thereafter married the victim of his crime to-day. Kendall was arrested.

SHOT BY BARTENDER.

(Associated Press.)

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Sept. 23.—In a street quarrel at Hudson last night John Coleman, a bartender, shot and killed John Scanlon, a teamster. The murderer escaped.

Statistics from Germany show that in 1903 there were 178 theatrical companies playing Shakespeare there. They acted twenty-five of his plays out of thirty-seven, including both parts of "King Henry VI." Close upon a thousand representations of Shakespeare were given in Germany that year.

LORD MINTO'S VISIT TO WINNIPEG

SPENDS THE DAY AT THE PRAIRIE CAPITAL

Received Civic Address—The Union of Municipalities Elects Officers for British Columbia.

(Associated Press.) Winnipeg, Sept. 23.—Lord and Lady Minto arrived here from Regina at 6 o'clock this morning and rested until 10, when the civic ceremonies opened. Escorted by mounted rifles and school cadets, Their Excellencies, at that hour, left the C. P. R. depot and proceeded to the city hall, where a civic address was presented and replied to by Lord Minto. Luncheon was served at noon at the Government House, and Lower Fort Garry visited in the afternoon. The presentation of the King's colors to the rifles took place at 3 o'clock. In the evening the vice-regal party will attend the Black Watch band concert, where the Scottish societies of the city will present an address. Their Excellencies leave for Ottawa on Saturday morning.

Today was damp and gloomy, but the streets were crowded with people, hundreds of United States residents being present to witness the procession.

Priest's House, Burned.

Winnipeg, Sept. 23.—Father Lamarche's house, situated on Mission Island, near Fort Frances, Ont., was destroyed by fire last night. It was a beautiful residence, and recently completed at a cost of \$20,000.

PROVINCIAL OFFICERS.

London, Sept. 23.—The union of Canadian municipalities yesterday elected Mayor Laporte, of Montreal, as president. Officers elected for British Columbia were: Vice-president, T. F. Neelands, Vancouver; second vice-president, W. H. Keary, New Westminster. The place of meeting next year was left to the executive committee for decision.

BORDEN'S SPEECH.

Brampton, Ont., Sept. 23.—Addressing a meeting here last night in the interest of Richard Blain, M. P. for Peel, R. L. Borden, leader of the opposition, speaking of Lord Dufferin, said he knew that the late G. O. V. well enough to know that he had in his mind and in his heart the time he came to Canada until he left it, only one object, and one aim, and that was to make the militia of Canada an effective defence force in the country. He had no object to impose militarism on Canada. He did not believe militarism to be consistent with Canada's institutions, but he did believe we should have a volunteer defence force in the country which would be capable of defending the soil of Canada against any foe, and he had no sympathy with either the one political party or the other.

LIBERAL NOMINATED.

Port Elgin, Ont., Sept. 23.—North Bruce Liberals have nominated J. E. Campbell for the House of Commons at the next general election.

THE AMES FAILURE.

Toronto, Sept. 23.—A. E. Ames & Co. have issued a statement that encumbered and unencumbered stock is now available for creditors in proportion to their claims.

TRADES CONGRESS.

Montreal, Sept. 23.—The Trades and Labor Congress this morning adopted a resolution to the effect that the incoming executive consider the desirability of sending a representative to Great Britain to effect the work of the Dominion government in inducing British workmen to come to Canada, to the detriment of Canadian workmen.

TWO FIREMEN DEAD.

Inhaled Fumes of Nitric Acid While Fighting Flames at Denver.

Denver, Sept. 22.—Two city firemen are dead from inhaling fumes of nitric acid, a carboy of which was burst by a bolt of lightning which started a fire in the ceiling rooms of the Post Printing & Publishing Company.

They are Lieut. Charles Doloff and Truckman John McGlade, who died yesterday.

A number of other firemen are also suffering greatly from the effects of the fumes.

The fire was one of the smallest fought by the department for a long time, it being merely an incipient blaze, of a size usually handled without danger and little trouble. Unaware of the great danger, the firemen rushed into the room, and when aware of the danger from the acid the fireman refused to retreat until the flames had been subdued.

At the time of the fire none of the men felt the effects very severely, and all returned to their posts of duty. But later the terrible action of the fumes on their lungs began to make itself manifest, and man after man sickened. There were two fire alarms in the night, to which the men responded, though some of them were so sick that they lay down in the wagons while the horses ran with them to the fire.

RACING YACHT RETURNS.

New London, Conn., Sept. 23.—The racing schooner yacht *Ingomar*, Capt. Chas. Barr, was sighted off New London light at 8:35 a. m. to-day. She left Southampton on August 29th.

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Any prescription written by any doctor, for any medicine, will be properly dispensed if left with us. We are prescription druggists and have the very best facilities for doing first-class work. Our dispensing is of the highest. Our drugs are fresh and pure. "We are prompt," "We are careful," and our prices are reasonable. Leave your prescriptions with us.

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JAPANESE SLOWLY MOVING ON MUKDEN

ADVANCE GUARD THIRTY MILES FROM THE CITY

Fighting Likely to Take Place at Fushan - Seven Rifle Brigades Preparing for Service.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 22.—The Japanese operations against Mukden are rapidly developing. Gen. Kourapatkin announces that the Japanese army at Bentshiptze is beginning to advance northward. The outposts yesterday tried to capture Kourapatkin's command, the road to Fushan. The Russians are offering a stubborn resistance, which is likely to retard decisive operations. Kourapatkin has placed strong forces astride the Mukden and Fushan roads to Bentshiptze. The Russians are holding all the passes of the Dai range of mountains eastward of Pitalitzin.

A dispatch from Harbin announces that another Japanese regiment is moving further eastward, but it is regarded as improbable that the Japanese will move in considerable force from Dalian along the roads leading to Mukden, Fushan and Sinsintsin.

Severe fighting is probable before the Japanese succeed in reaching the Hun river. There is no further news from Port Arthur, but the anxiety as to the fate of its gallant defenders has been relieved by foreign telegrams received here, announcing that the Japanese have not captured any important positions.

Field Marshal Oyama's lengthy report of the progress of what he calls the Russian counter attack on Pitalitzin, is classed here as being nothing more or less than the Japanese version of the reconnaissance of Gen. Samonoff and Rennenkampf's forces north of Bentshiptze detailed from here in the Associated Press dispatches of September 19th.

Oyama's report attributes undue importance to this operation. Kourapatkin obviously did not contemplate pressing home his attack since he sent a comparatively small force against the Japanese army.

A detachment under Gen. Rennenkampf, while reconnoitering yesterday lost two officers and nine men killed and had three officers and 23 men wounded.

FIGHTING MAY OCCUR AT FUSHAN.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 23.—(6.30 a.m.)—The Japanese advance towards Mukden continues. According to information received here, Marquis Oyama's advance guard is 30 miles south of Mukden. Stories printed in the foreign press that a great battle has already begun are disproved by the actual developments at the scene of operations.

From the importance of Mukden as a winter base, it is believed that the Japanese probably will have to reckon first with a stubborn defence of the Fushan mines, where the next important fight is expected.

Judging by present developments, Marquis Oyama is giving up the idea of cutting Gen. Kourapatkin's communications to the northward and contenting himself with advancing on the Russian front and flank in such fashion as to force the evacuation of the town and compel the Russians to retreat further north.

According to the best information, Oyama has three armies concentrated south and southeast of Mukden, a fourth corps, consisting of two divisions composed of men drafted from the armies of Generals Kuroki, Nodan and Oku, being detached to Dalian, and thence sending out flanking columns northward and northward, with the object of protecting Oyama's right and at the same time driving in the Russian outposts. An enveloping movement on such a large scale as Gen. Kuroki essayed at Liao Yang is not expected. Evidently the Japanese realize that their strength is inadequate to justify another attempt to surround Gen. Kourapatkin, who now is stronger by two army corps than he was at Liao Yang.

The report has gained some credence here that it is the intention of the Japanese to

use to withdraw at Mukden if they can take the town, and then hold on until an accumulation of Russian forces on their front compels them to retire to the Liao Yang peninsula and Korea, the retreat in this direction drawing Gen. Kourapatkin after them.

Orders have been issued to prepare seven rifle brigades for service in the Far East.

UNCONFIRMED RUMORS AFLOAT IN LONDON.

London, Sept. 22.—Various unconfirmed rumors have reached London that the Vladivostok cruisers have sailed out, that Lieut. Gen. Stoessel has made a counter attack and recaptured a fort from the Japanese, that Madame Stoessel was wounded in the shoulder while attending wounded soldiers at Port Arthur, and that the Russians are leaving Mukden.

VON BUELOW'S SCHEME.

Proposes Reciprocal Trade Treaties With Proposes Reciprocal Trade Treaties With Britain and States.

Hamburg, Sept. 22.—Chancellor Von Bülow and M. Sturdtz, premier of Roumania, met here today to talk over personally the obstacles to the proposed commercial treaty between Germany and Roumania that have caused the failure of prolonged negotiations through other channels. An agreement is expected to be reached through this conference, as was from the meeting of the chancellor and M. de Witte, president of the ministerial council of Russia, at Norderny in the Russian negotiations. Count Von Bülow was minister at Bucharest for five years and has, therefore, personal knowledge of the Roumanian conditions.

The chancellor's great project, begun four years ago, of heightening the tariff and negotiating therefor with reciprocal trade with other continental states, is nearing conclusion. One more parliamentary battle must be won inducing the Reichstag to accept the new treaties. The old treaties will then be denounced and German foreign trade will be re-opened for twelve years by an intricate system of give-and-take treaties. Treaties of this character have already been negotiated with Italy, Belgium and Russia, and an understanding has been reached in the form of a treaty without difficulty. Negotiations with Austria-Hungary have dragged, but lately have been progressing more smoothly.

The Agrarians would like to force the government to denounce the most-favored-nation treaties under which Great Britain, the United States and other countries have the benefit of conventional rates.

Although the government and German manufacturers are not satisfied with the present commercial relations with America, and would prefer to regulate differences by means of a direct treaty, Germany is not likely to make proposals for a commercial treaty with the United States because a favorable response seems improbable.

Speculation and discussion of the new commercial treaties fill the German papers, as the subject is considered of tremendous importance to the economic future of the empire.

Count Von Bülow's personal fortunes are also regarded as closely related to the result of reciprocal trade arrangements. The Emperor, it is understood, has given him a free hand. Should the reciprocal fabric fail of acceptance by the Reichstag, or, being accepted, fail of beneficial effect on both manufacturers and agriculture, the authority of the premier would be greatly affected.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Unknown Man Fired at the Chief of the Odessa Police.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 22.—In Odessa this morning, while Chief of Police Neidhardt, in company with the Prince Obolensky, his assistant, were inspecting some new government buildings in the Boulevard Nicholas, near the Pushkin monument, a young man wearing a blue blouse fired a revolver from a distance of six paces at Neidhardt. The bullet did not strike the chief of police and the would-be assassin was about to fire again when he was seized by the prince. The man's weapon fell to the ground and a desperate struggle ensued, in the course of which M. Neidhardt was wounded in the hand with a dagger. The assailant was secured and placed in custody. He refused to give his name or any account of himself.

President W. Newman of the New York Central road, denies the report published at Cleveland that he had resigned.

RAG PICKER SHOT BY A SALOON KEEPER

Injured Man in Critical Condition—Boy Killed at Danville Fair—Strathcona's Donation.

Montreal, Sept. 22.—Alex. Belanger, a rag picker, aged 32 years, was probably fatally shot by Leon Lecailion, a saloon keeper, as a result of a dispute over a mutton pie in the latter's saloon at the corner of Dominion and Notre Dame streets, Belanger claimed that it was not fit to eat and grabbed Lecailion, when the fight occurred, Lecailion struck Belanger with a rubber hose loaded with lead and put him out of the saloon. Belanger returned with a stick and aimed a blow at Lecailion, who then fired a revolver, the bullet from which entered near the region of the heart. Belanger now hovers between life and death. Lecailion is under arrest.

Strathcona's Generosity.

Montreal, Sept. 22.—Lord Strathcona has signified his intention of giving \$25,000 as a starter in the subscription list to erect a \$100,000 gymnasium for McGill College. Sir Wm. Macdonald, who last March donated \$100,000 for the erection of a McGill students' union, has also promised \$25,000 more in order to make sure that the committee looking after the arrangements should in no way be hampered.

Sunday Observance.

Montreal, Sept. 22.—In reply to a delegation representing the Lord's Day Alliance, which asked the assistance of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in furthering the aims and objects of the alliance, Robert Munroe, ex-president of the association, said the manufacturers did not want men who did not care for the Sabbath, because they did not keep up the same moral or the same satisfactory work in the factories. He assured the delegation that the president's suggestions regarding the observance of Sunday would receive the consideration of the association. The manufacturers will arrange a date to meet representative men of the Trades and Labor Congress with a view to adjusting grievances. The association regrets the action of the government of the Dominion on immigration in view of the demand for labor, which is so great.

Took Furs.

Montreal, Sept. 22.—Burglars at an early hour this morning got away with about \$1,500 worth of furs out of the store of Friemann & Company, Notre Dame street.

Condemn Jail.

Montreal, Sept. 22.—In their report to the court the grand jury condemn the Montreal jail. They declare that it is falling to pieces and that it would be a death-trap in case of a fire.

Found Dead.

Valleyfield, Que., Sept. 22.—Coroner Lefebvre and Dr. McLean are investigating the cause of death of a man named Brault, of St. Louis D'Oroville, who disappeared suddenly last Thursday after attending Beauharnois fair. A couple of young men have boasted that they fought with and beat Brault on Thursday. Yesterday the corps was discovered.

West Lambton Candidate.

Watford, Sept. 22.—West Lambton Liberals yesterday nominated John Cowan, K. C. of Sarnia, as candidate for the Commons.

Member Nominated.

North Bay, Sept. 22.—Nipissing Liberals yesterday nominated C. A. McCool, sitting member, as candidate at the next general election for the House of Commons.

Instantly Killed.

Danville, Que., Sept. 22.—During races at the fair grounds here yesterday, John Logan, fifteen years old, was knocked down by a saddle horse and instantly killed.

SEVERAL MAY DIE.

Number of Those Injured in Wreck of Electric Car Not Expected to Recover.

Montreal, Sept. 22.—The death list of nine, resulting from last night's disaster in which a well-filled electric car was blown to pieces by dynamite, was not increased today, although six of the injured are still regarded as being in a critical condition and may not survive their wounds.

The principal actions of the authorities today was the arraignment of court of Roy C. Fenton, the driver of the express wagon, from the tailboard of which the 50 pound box of dynamite dropped to be struck later by the ill-fated car. Fenton was charged with manslaughter and held in \$1,500 bail, in default of which he was taken to the county jail at East Cambridge. Judge Bruce will hold an inquest on the accident on September 20th.

The express wagon contained 200 pounds of dynamite. Lawyers find no law governing the transportation of explosives except in bond.

GRAND LODGE OF ODD FELLOWS

Several Proposed Amendments to the Constitution Defeated.

San Francisco, Sept. 22.—The Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows and the Grand Encampment of California continued their discussions today behind closed doors. Several proposed amendments to the constitution were considered by the former body. Amendments proposing that the barrier of sex be removed so the Order's members might be representative to the grand lodge, and that the color line be extended so as to permit the admission of men who were partly of Indian descent, were both defeated. The amendment providing that men who were only indirectly engaged in the liquor business might be admitted so the Order was held on the table because of a technical defect in its mode of presentation.

The international convention of Broomery Workers concluded its biennial session at Indianapolis, Ind., on Thursday, after nominating officers to be voted for by referendum. The next convention will be held at Toronto, Ont.

SEVEN MEN DROWNED

By Sinking of the Schooner Elvira J. French, of Harwich, Mass.

Boston, Sept. 22.—A dispatch received here today reports the loss of the Harwich, Mass., schooner Elvira J. French, off the Jersey coast in last week's gale, together with seven members of her crew of nine. Two men clinging to pieces of wreckage for four days and three nights, being picked up by the schooner Margaret Haskell and landed in Norfolk today.

The Elvira J. French left Newport News for Portsmouth, N. H., on September 10th. She was commanded by Capt. L. J. Bonner, of Lawrence, Mass., and was valued at \$30,000, being owned by T. B. Baker, of Harwich, Mass. She was built in Booth bay in 1880 and registered 833 tons net.

Statement by Survivor.

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 22.—The men rescued from the Elvira J. French and landed here are Seaman Max Schultz, Hoboken, N. Y., and Engineer Arnold Nelson, New York. Schultz says he is positive except himself and Nelson were drowned.

According to his story the schooner first encountered the storm off Montauk Point, Long Island, Wednesday, September 14th. The vessel was then blown into shoals, and the vessel on the following day began leaking. Pumps were useless, and the vessel filled rapidly. The crew sought to abandon her. The captain, Schultz, disappeared with the rigging. As he tried to get out the long boat, but was carried down by the sinking stern of the schooner. Andrew clung to a plank, but was washed away by others floated off on lumber and finally disappeared. The survivors spent an agonizing night and a day on the wreck of the cabin before being picked up. The crew shipped on the French at New York, September 1st.

POET'S FORTUNE.

B. M. Everhart Leaves \$1,500,000—Bequests to Charity.

Westchester, Pa., Sept. 22.—Benjamin M. Everhart, botanist, poet and author, died today, aged 87. He was one of the most expert botanists in the world, 15 plants have been given his name. It is estimated that the fortune of \$1,500,000, which he leaves, will go largely to charity.

LAND TAX SALE.

Notice Given For Holding 11—Provisions For Pasturage in Lillooet.

The Provincial Gazette contains a proclamation setting aside 50 square miles in the Clinton polling division of Lillooet to be a common on which land owners may depasture their cattle subject to the provisions of the Cattle Ranges Act. The tract is described as commencing at a point on the northeast shore of the Fraser river, thence south ten miles; thence east five miles; thence north ten miles; thence west five miles to the point of commencement; containing 50 square miles.

Notice is given that the following highway, 30 feet in width, is established: Commencing at the northeast corner of section 4, range 1 east, North Saanich; thence north to the British Columbia road, along the line between ranges 1 and 2 east, and having a width of 15 feet on each side of the said line.

Notice of the sale of land for unpaid taxes is given. The sale will be held on October 12th. That for Victoria assessment district will be held in the Mayor's committee room of the parliament buildings at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Captain John W. Hall, who was for many years a leading figure in Baltimore financial circles, former president of the First National Bank, president of the Consolidated Gas Company and director in various monetary institutions, died on Thursday from heart disease. He was in his 78th year.

The London Times correspondent at Tangier telegraphed that Mr. Lee, a merchant at Rabat, has been captured by brigands while fishing in the Rabat river. A companion named Broome escaped after being fired at. The correspondent adds that there is an unconfirmed rumor that Mr. Lee has been liberated.

Thursday was the coldest September 22nd New York has experienced since the establishment of the weather bureau; 24 years ago. The official temperature at 8 a.m. was 42 degrees, but earlier in the morning the thermometer registered 40 degrees. Killing frosts are reported all over New York state and throughout New England, with frosts as far south as Philadelphia.

A conference of the Institute of Edu-

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Rates for insertion in THE TIMES: All Classifications, except Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1 cent per word per day; six insertions for the price of four; no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. Time rates on application.

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4500 WILL BUY A FINE LOT on South Turner street, sowed. Holsternian & Co.

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FOR SALE—Double delivery wagon. Apply Speed Bros., 60 Fort street.

FOR SALE—Several second-hand stoves and vault doors, cheap. Thos. Pimley, Central Cycle Depot, Opp. Post Office.

FOR SALE—A gravel gold mine in the richest mining district in California. Address J. A. Davis, 734 Duboce avenue, San Francisco.

FOR SALE—Choice new seven roomed house on Haywood Ave.; very cheap. Moore & Whittington, contractors, 150 Yates street. Phone 4700.

ALL KINDS of new and second-hand furniture at lowest possible prices. A sixty-dollar sewing machine for ten dollars, in first-class order, with all attachments. Old Curiosity Shop, Pierce O'Connor, cor. of Fort and Blanchard.

FOR KNOCKERS

Ingalls said: "Opportunity knocks once on every door." He didn't say how many times you are allowed to knock on opportunity's door. Try it through a want advertisement.

THE STUART ROBERTSON CO., LTD.

A. Stuart Robertson, J. E. Smart, 36 Broad Street.

For Sale—Two good building lots, Fernwood road, \$1,100.

For Sale—7 roomed bungalow, new, Oak Bay Ave., \$3,200.

For Sale—2 acre lot, St. Charles St., \$1,800.

For Sale—7 roomed house, Mendocino St., \$2,000.

For Sale—2 1/2 acres, Moss St., \$1,300.

P. R. BROWN CO., LTD.

30 Broad Street, Victoria.

FOR SALE—Dallas road, five roomed dwelling in excellent condition, full lot, for \$1,000; terms, \$100 cash, balance in small monthly payments.

FOR SALE—Near Dallas road and car line, good seven roomed dwelling, well situated; price \$2,000, and terms to suit.

FOR SALE—Pandora street, 10 roomed dwelling, all modern conveniences; \$3,150.

FOR SALE—3 choice building lots, Dallas road, fine view of Straits and mountains; \$1,000; or will be sold separately.

FOR SALE—Dallas road, 3 lots and modern 10 roomed dwelling; \$7,000; easy terms.

FOR SALE—Nagars street, on car line, modern bungalow of 7 rooms; \$2,500.

FOR SALE—150 acres, highly improved, in Fraser Valley, adjoining Cloverdale Township.

FOR SALE—Oak Bay, 2 1/2 acres, 4 roomed house, good soil, city water laid on; price \$2,500.

FOR SALE—Lot, 60x120, and 7 roomed house, McClure street; \$1,000.

FOR SALE—Cottage and lot, Johnson street; nice home.

FOR SALE—Shawigan Lake, 1/2 acre and cottage, with furniture; only \$500.

FOR SALE—Pembroke street, near Douglas street, lot 60x120, 5 roomed cottage, modern conveniences; only \$1,000.

FOR SALE—150 acres, South Cowichan, 20 acres cultivated, dwelling, 2 large barns, one mile from wharf, 2 1/2 miles from railway; only \$2,100.

FOR SALE—7 1/2 acres, six miles from town, small house and barn; \$3,000.

FOR SALE—7 1/2 acres and small dwelling, near the exhibition buildings; \$500 cash and balance in small monthly payments, no interest.

FOR SALE—Water lot and dwelling, near the new C. P. R. wharf, James Bay; price and terms on application.

FOR SALE—Comstock District, 200 acres, 50 cultivated, stream runs through property; dwelling, barns, sheds, etc.; only \$5,150.

FOR SALE—Fort street, near Linden avenue, 10 roomed dwelling, double front lot; well situated for private boarding house.

FOR SALE—Henry street, Victoria West, 8 vacant lots; only \$525.

FOR SALE—Bequith road, 1/2 acre and 5 roomed cottage; \$1,500.

FOR SALE—Bequith road, with frontage on beach, 1/2 acre and 8 roomed house, \$2,500; terms.

FOR SALE—Pandora street, lot 60x120, 6 roomed cottage; only \$1,000.

FOR SALE—Yates street, near Quadra, vacant lot; \$1,800.

FOR SALE—9 1/2 acres, four miles from city; \$300.

FOR SALE—First street, modern 8 roomed dwelling, lot 60x135; only \$1,000.

FOR SALE—First street, cottage of 4 rooms and 1/2 lot, all modern conveniences, \$1,150; easy terms.

FOR SALE—240 acres, Lake District, excellent fruit soil, plenty of water; only \$2,250.

FOR SALE—Cowichan District, 138 acres, large dwelling, barns, etc., well adapted for a dairy farm, only \$4,500; easy terms.

FOR SALE—Quamichan District, 160 acres, 1 1/2 miles from railway station, good roads; price \$2,000.

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FOR SALE—Cultivated land on Saanich peninsula; price \$40 and \$50 per acre.

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FOR SALE—New dwelling, with 18 acres cultivated land, close to sea, Metchoan District.

FOR SALE—Two lots on Duchesne street,

Sparklet Syphons AND Cartridges for Same R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd. WHOLESALE MERCHANTS.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria
Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Sept. 23, 5 a. m.—As the barometer is steadily rising over Northern British Columbia and remains low to the southward, the weather will continue fine for several days, accompanied by northerly winds. Numerous thunderstorms have occurred in California, and at San Francisco nearly two and a half inches of rain have fallen in 24 hours. Cold rains are also reported in Alberta.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Saturday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate northerly winds, continued fine to-day and Saturday.

Lower Mainland—Light winds, continued fine to-day and Saturday.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 29.87; temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, calm; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles N.W.; weather, clear, fog.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, 54; minimum, 52; wind, 10 miles N.W.; rain, .08; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.96; temperature, 49; minimum, 38; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.70; temperature, 60; minimum, 58; wind, 24 miles S.E.; rain, 2.54; weather, rain.

Port Simpson—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, fair, fog.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, 34; minimum, 32; wind, 4 miles N.W.; rain, .04; weather, rain.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Princess Victoria from Seattle—J. Toman, H. Lockwood, Mr. Livingood, J. Dickson, G. Wickstrom, Mrs. Ferlie, Mr. Ferlie, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Thompson, J. Warren, G. A. Melhorne, Skene Lowe, Mrs. Mark, Mr. Colbertson, Mrs. Colbertson, Mrs. Colbertson, Master Colbertson, Mr. Christopher, Mrs. Christopher, Mrs. Christopher, Mrs. Christopher, A. W. Scott, Miss Bell, Mrs. Bell, J. F. Smith, J. Rostein, H. Pike, Mr. Pike, Mr. Terrell, Mrs. Terrell, Mr. Chapman, Mrs. Chapman, G. W. Sheppman, Miss Watts, J. B. Johnston, W. B. Johnston, Miss Hough, Mr. Relf, Mrs. Relf, Mrs. Patterson, C. P. Patterson, O. C. Ritchie, Mrs. Ritchie, Mr. Throble, Geo. Bach, Florence Clark, Mrs. Gibson, D. H. Gibson, Miss Johnson, J. W. Winslow, Miss Reamer, E. A. Winship, Mr. Talbot, O. T. Goldsmith, H. W. Harrington, Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Hope, Mrs. Goodman, Mrs. Taylor, W. McDonald, J. H. McMillan, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Ferguson, Mr. Goodman, Mr. Abbott, Miss Goodman, J. W. Ferguson, Mrs. McMillan, H. Raitson, Mrs. Sheppman, E. H. Robinson, Mrs. Robinson, E. Perry, A. G. Smith, T. Norton, Mrs. Jones, A. Meyer, Mrs. McAniff, A. R. H. ter, W. Schrott, B. J. Scott, D. W. Fryer, Mrs. Selby, C. W. Selby, S. C. Stewart, C. Richards, F. Rutledge, Mrs. Rutledge, L. K. White, Mrs. Jasper, Mr. Willie, W. B. Carr, Mrs. Jasper, Mrs. Johnson.

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SPORTING ITEMS.

TO-MORROW'S ATTRACTIONS.

Baseball—Championship match between Victoria and Fernwoods, commencing at 3 o'clock, at Oak Bay.
Cricket—Club match, starting at 2 o'clock, at Jubilee hospital grounds.
Rugby Football—Practice match, at 3 o'clock, at the Caledonia grounds.
The Rifle—Regimental weekly shoot, commencing at 3 o'clock, at Clover Point range.

LACROSSE.

VICTORIA V. VANCOUVER.

A match will be played between Victoria and Vancouver either on Thursday or Saturday of next week. This announcement is made by T. Hooper, president of the local club who returned yesterday from a visit to the Terminal City, where he interviewed several Vancouver officials and received their assurance that the game will be played down on one of the days mentioned. They could not decide definitely as to which date would be most favorable on account of the carnival to be held there next week. A meeting of the Vancouver club took place last night to discuss the question, and if a decision was reached Mr. Hooper will receive word this afternoon. As already stated in these columns, the game will be played in the morning of either day, commencing at 10 o'clock, at the Caledonia grounds.

WESTMINSTER V. NELSON.

Commenting on the series of games arranged to be played between New Westminster and Nelson during the Royal City fair, an exchange says: "Nelson is bringing three players from Winnipeg, one from Souris and possibly Lambie and Querre from Toronto. They already had a good twelve and can easily pick up six good men in Nelson. This would give them one of the fastest twelve playing the national game, and it will be no easy matter for New Westminster to win out if they do."

Of course, the Royal City aggregation are usually in their best condition late in the season, but this year they have played practically no senior games outside of the game in Cranbrook. The Westminster boys are taking no chances with Nelson, for they know the article of lacrosse put up by the interior players, and it is a class of lacrosse that must be given respect.

"The Westminster line-up will probably be: Goal, Sandy Gray; point, Wells Gray; cover point, W. S. Galbraith; first defence, Thomas S. Gifford; second defence, George Renzie; third defence, C. D. Peile; centre, Alex. Turnbull; third home, Harry P. Latham; second home, W. Gifford; first home, Fred Lynch; outside home, J. S. Blyson; inside home, R. H. Cheryne."

A SUCCESSFUL TOUR.

The victorious tour of the Vancouver junior lacrosse team is nearing an end, and the boys who have upheld the honor of the "Sunset Doorway of the Dominion" upon nearly every lacrosse field in Ontario, will arrive home to-day, says a dispatch from Gresham, N. W. T.

It was the first time that a junior twelve has ever crossed the continent, and the venture has proved a success in every respect, and the boys in blue will return home with a lengthy string of hard-earned victories. The team has defeated two champion teams in Ontario and played a draw with one. They defeated the Maitland, of Toronto, intermediate champions of the Queen City of the East, and also came out on top in a match with the Sudbury team, champions of district 13, of the Canadian Lacrosse Association. The boys drew their match with the Elora team, junior C. L. A. champions. The team played in magnificent form in nearly every match, and the splendid condition of the boys undoubtedly told its tale.

YACHTING.

CANADA'S CUP.

"The Canada cup boats for 1905 will be of the 36-foot class," says the Vancouver News-Advertiser. This means that they may be as long as 60 feet over all, but at the water line they must measure 36 feet. Sixty feet is an extraordinary length for a 36-footer, and it is probable that none of the new yachts will run over 50 feet on deck. The other dimensions required by the Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes are these:

"Maximum sail area, 1,350 square feet; minimum area of largest immersed cross section, 22.25 square feet; minimum beam on load water line, 3 feet 6 inches for keel boats and 10 feet 6 inches for centreboard boats; maximum freeboard, keel boats 27 inches, centreboard boats 26 inches; maximum draught, 7 feet; cabin trunk, at least two inches high for every foot of beam, and

not less than 40 per cent. nor more than 60 per cent. of the greatest beam on deck in width; deck beams, main 5½-inch, auxiliary 3½-inch, half 2¼-inch, to be of oak; clump, middle 7-inch, ends 4-inch, to be of oak; rock elm or hard pine; bilge stringer, 7-inch, to be of oak, rock elm or hard pine. "There is no restriction as to rig, but the total area of sail shall not exceed 75 per cent. of the total sail area, and the jib-and-mainsail sloop rig will undoubtedly be used."

THE RIFLE.

ROYAL ENGINEERS-WON.

A friendly rifle match was shot at Clover Point yesterday between teams from H. M. S. Grafton and Royal Engineers. The match was fair and the wind was very tricky at times. The result was a win for the R. E. by 44 points. The scores follow:

R. E. Team.			
Corp. Simpson	50	33	31
C. S. M. Guest	32	31	30
Lee Corp. Harvey	33	33	25
Sapr. Snelgrove	29	27	32
Serjt. Jerome	30	31	27
Sapr. O'Donnell	31	31	22
Capt. Bunbury	29	26	24
Q. M. S. Clark	31	24	24
Lieut. French	23	24	20
2nd Corp. Shute	28	17	24
	302	277	259

GRAFTON TEAM.

Lieut. Trye	28	29	30
Lev. Serjt. Speedy	27	29	30
Gr. Rawston	31	28	25
Serjt. Chaudron	29	31	22
E. R. A. Platt	23	28	27
Commander Sandeman	30	25	25
Major Chown	32	29	17
C. Seymour	24	26	25
Sta. Truscott	25	26	20
P. O. Pitchford	31	23	19
	280	274	240

REGULAR SHOOT.

The regular weekly shoot of the Fifth Regiment Association will be held to-morrow afternoon at Clover Point. Picking will take place from different ranges, and the first event commences at 3 o'clock promptly.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Last evening a meeting of the juniors was held at the parlors of the Victoria hotel. There was a large attendance and general business in connection with organization for the season was discussed. Officers were elected as follows: Jas. Douglas, hon. president; Rev. W. W. Bolton, president; Thos. Hooper, vice-president; Alf. Jeffs, captain; W. Kinloch, vice-captain; W. S. Nason, secretary-treasurer; J. Gilder and W. Patterson, committee men.

Before an adjournment Miss How case was tendered a hearty vote of thanks for his kindness in allowing the use of his rooms. Judging by the enthusiasm of the juniors, the season 1904-05 should be most successful.

A PRACTICE MATCH.

To-morrow afternoon a practice of local players will be held at the Caledonia grounds. All interested are invited to attend. Two teams will be selected. The kick-off takes place at 3 o'clock, so that those who would like game must be on the grounds before that time.

BASKETBALL.

MEETING TO-NIGHT.

This evening a meeting of Y. M. C. A. players will be held for the purpose of organizing for the ensuing season.

CRICKET.

MATCH TO-MORROW.

To-morrow at the Jubilee hospital grounds a match will be played between two teams selected from members of the Victoria club. Play will commence about 2 o'clock. The teams follow:

A.—Menzies, Cobbett, Rogers, Goxard, H. J. Martin, J. W. D. York, Howe, Ashley, Richardson, Williams, Monteth, Bodwell and Gregson.
B.—L. S. V. York, Macro, Barnach, Hill, Hains, Taylor, Denville, Martin, Trimen, Betts, Conyers, Winsky and Viney.

BASEBALL.

A CHAMPIONSHIP GAME.

This season's final match will be played to-morrow between the Victoria and Fernwoods teams at the Oak Bay grounds. The game is for the local championship, and has been arranged as a result of a challenge from B. Robertson, captain of the Fernwoods line. He is confident of the ability of his team to cope successfully with the Victoria. His line has been strengthened at several points and presents a really formidable appearance. The Victoria players, however, are in good trim. They have been training assiduously, and the captain announces that the play of both the infield and outfield will be faster than in any previous game.

As usual play commences at 3 o'clock, and George Smith will act as umpire. In view of the fact that this is the last exhibition of the summer, arrangements have been made for a uniform admission fee. Twenty-five cents will be charged and the seats in the grand stand are to be free.

The respective teams follow:
Victoria. Fernwoods.
McManus.....Catcher.....Robertson
Blackburn.....First Base.....Smith
Potts.....First Base.....P. Shanks
Schwenger.....Second Base.....Carlyle
Moore.....Short Stop.....Gray
Burnes.....Third Base.....S. Shanks
H. McConnell.....Left Field.....Malcolm
F. McConnell.....Centre Field.....Carne
Goward.....Right Field.....Herd

Indianapolis, Ind., was selected as the meeting place of next year's convention of the Supreme court. Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Free Masons.

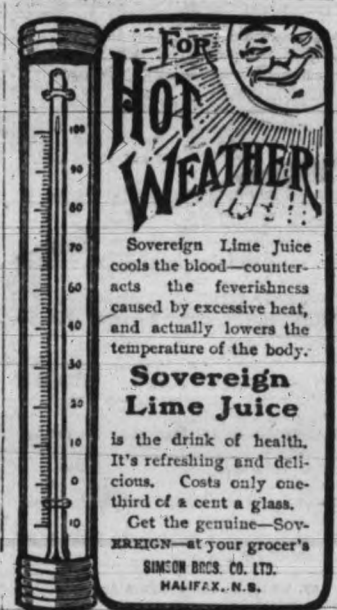
TORY SPELL-BINDING.

Gathering of the Faithful Last Evening—Speech by Sir C. H. Tupper.

The junior Conservatives held a gathering in their club rooms last evening, which was addressed by the principal chiefs of the party in this part of the country. J. T. Croot, president of the club, presided, and among those present were the following: The Premier, Hon. Richard McBride; Sir Herbert Tupper, president of the Liberal-Conservative Association of British Columbia; Hon. P. J. Fulton, provincial secretary; Mayor Barnard, Senator Macdonald, Thomas Earle, M.P.; Col. E. G. Prior, H. D. Helmcken, ex-M.P.; Wm. Mable, president of the Victoria Liberal-Conservative Association; Ald. Beckwith, Geo. Jay and other prominent members of the party.

The big attraction on the programme was Sir Herbert Tupper, who made one of his usual entertaining deliverances, wholly devoid, however, of anything substantially new. He ran through the customary Tory gamut of charges against the Liberal administration and received a vote of thanks for his efforts. This is about the only return he will ever receive from his speeches in the campaign which seems imminent.

Premier McBride, Mayor Barnard and Hon. F. J. Fulton also did their utmost to make the Conservatives present believe they would have a "look in" at the next election, their endeavors being supplemented by a rendering of the "Old Guard" by Mr. Wheeler. Cheers for the big guns of the party and the national Anthem closed the meeting.



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PURE AND UNDEFILED (7)

There was an angelic throng of white-robed priests assembled in the Young Conservative Club rooms last evening. The chief business of this assembly of immaculates was not to discuss the political situation or any questions of interest to the people, but to denounce Liberals for their wickedness and corruption.

Chief amongst this concourse of outraged political moralists was our old friend Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, a gentleman who was a member of a government which was not only accused of being, but was actually proved in Parliament to be, rotten to the very heart. One of the members of that administration, a colleague of the hon. gentleman who last night sounded such a high, clear note, was driven in disgrace from public life because he was proved to be the treasurer of the funds squeezed by his government from contractors for the purpose of corrupting the electorate. Parliamentary supporters of that same administration were actually jailed for their connection with the scandal, and afterwards released (we believe on the advice of the virtuous Tupper himself) on the ground that confinement was injuring their health. At the time of those unsavory revelations all the world was talking and writing of Canada's disgrace.

The comments of the British press were sufficiently sweeping and condemnatory to affect all but those who cared not at all for the reputation of the country so long as they held power. The London Telegraph said: "Enough, unfortunately, is already known in England to make it clear that only the most resolute and drastic purification can redeem public life in Canada from the taint of corruption the like of which we have not seen in our own country for hundreds of years."

Birmingham Gazette: "Rascals out of office defraud the public in order to bribe rascals in office, and rascals in office prostitute themselves, sacrifice their honor and forsake their trust, in order to keep on good terms with the rascals out of office." London Echo: "No country can prosper where public departments are in league with fraudulent contractors, and where ministers are open to offers."

St. James's Gazette: "The existence of an organized system of corruption among public officials in Canada has been conclusively proved, and, like everything else on the American continent, the bribery has been colossal." The Graphic: "The secret of Sir John Macdonald's electoral victories is out. On this side of the water surprise has, often been expressed at the patience with which our Canadian cousins submitted to the Tory protectionist rule of that prince of political intriguers."

There is now, after all, no difficulty in explaining that curious situation. Sir John's government rested on a stupendous and all-pervading system of bribery and corruption. Even Tammany Hall smells sweet and clean in comparison with the huge stink pot of Sir John's government.

Of the administration which is thus spoken of Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, the man who was so eloquent in his denunciations last night, was a member. In common with all the rest of his colleagues, he was banished from the councils of the country as a result of the revelations which were candidly commented upon above. Probably being less sensitive in skin and less active in conscience than his fellows, Sir Hibbert was one of the few who did not retire or was not driven from public life. He has been in Parliament during the two terms of the Laurier administration, attending to his duties very perfunctorily, but drawing his indemnity and mileage with unflinching regularity. If the Liberal government had been guilty of the iniquities which were the subject of this immaculate Tupper's vehement denunciations last night, why were not charges laid in the House against the ministers and proved against them, as was done in the case of the Langwin-McGrovy scandal? The fact of the matter is that

never in the history of the world has a country been favored with a cleaner or more statesmanlike administration than that which Canada has had since 1896. In all departments of national life the influence of the Laurier government has been for good works and healthy development. It is well known that if anything corrupt or unclean or of evil repute in connection with the administration of the country's affairs were to pass under the eye of the Premier it would be speedily suppressed. The Tupper family, whose specialty is verbosity and vehement denunciation, knows this perfectly well. Hence it confines itself strictly to generalities.

WORTHY ASPIRANTS.

Can it be that Mayor Barnard is striving for the Conservative nomination in Victoria? He has expressed himself so strongly confident of the success of the nominee of the party that we feel sure he must have some popular personage in his mind as a possibility. Then there is the further fact to corroborate our suspicions that it is not usual for a mayor to participate in party politics during his term of office. Well, perhaps we might just as well accustom ourselves to the spectacle of one of the members of an eminent legal firm either filling or striving for an office of some kind. The senior member is temporarily under a cloud—why should not the next in order have a chance? That is providing an able municipal light be willing and agreeable.

Ald. Beckwith, who is a friend of water meters as well as of the Mayor, also spoke at the meeting last night. It is true he was unnecessarily held in leash and was merely permitted to move a resolution which he might, under the stimulus of Sir Hibbert's torrent of denunciation, have got rid of the speech of the evening which was known to be slumbering under his expansive brainpan. But after all some people consider the honor of paying a compliment to a belted knight as of some consequence. Possibly Ald. Beckwith is just as well satisfied as if he had been permitted to unburden his mind. It is no secret that he also has ambitions. He has served the city longer than Mayor Barnard and should be nearer the goal to which the city council is merely a stepping stone for men of superior ability. Besides, we fear the worthy alderman has lost some of his popularity as a representative of a city ward. It would be better for him to strive to go up higher than be compelled to submit to an unenviable municipal eclipse by some inferior person. It seems, therefore, that the contest for the honor of being defeated Conservative candidate for Victoria will lie between Mayor Barnard and Ald. Beckwith, provided it shall be decided to superannuate the present Tory member, Mr. Earle.

TUPPERISM.

There is one fact standing out clear and bold in contradiction of Sir Hibbert Tupper's expressed belief that the Conservative party will sweep British Columbia and the Dominion at the general elections. That fact is that there is not a Tupper candidate in the field in the whole of the Dominion. If there were a prospect of office all the Tupperes would be found in places from which they could without loss of time and without inconvenience either step into something far or assist their relatives to "something just as good." Sir Hibbert cannot afford to neglect his law practice for a paltry fifteen hundred or two thousand dollars a year. If there were a cabinet position and nine thousand dollars per annum assured, this fine specimen of a grand old grafting stock would be on the spot. But in the present prospects of the Tory party there is nothing to be desired. Pictou was left unrepresented during the greater part of two parliamentary terms. But Pictou's representative did not fail to draw pay for the work he should have performed while he was attending to his law practice. If Pictou were willing to continue to be represented by such a busy gentleman, perhaps Sir Hibbert would be content to accept of the same hereafter. As Pictou is tired of the arrangement, and as no other constituency would be likely to do so, we can understand Sir Hibbert's going to retire until he perceives some certainty of the Tory party attaining power. This accommodating gentleman, however, would be willing to place his great talents and other qualities at the service of the people of British Columbia. The capital is convenient, and there is a Conservative government already in power. Little valuable time would be lost in attending sessions, while the ministers have no duties to perform that take up any considerable portion of their time. One in the capital at a time is usually sufficient to sign documents and attend to routine work. The Attorney-General is quite invisible, like the Dalai Lama of Tibet. We keep at least one representative either in the Old Country or on the way thither or hither all the time. The burden of the position of Finance Minister sits as lightly on the shoulders of Hon. R. F. Green as the weight of all the offices sit on the stalwart shoulders of the Premier. Therefore it is not surprising that Sir Hibbert has intimated his willingness to step in if Mr. McBride will walk out. The merely nominal duties could be combined with private business without the loss of an hour or the escape of a cent. But the present Premier is as fond of a sinecure as any Tupper. He will not give up. He cannot be squeezed out. There is no excuse

whatever for a rank outsider to break in. There are deeds which even a Tupper dare not do.

The people of Finland have not been deceived by the Czar's announcement that their ancient privileges are to be restored and the regular sessions of their houses of legislation to be resumed. What useful purpose can a Diet serve which its acts are subject to the veto of a governor? Hence it seems the rule of Prince Olofson, the new-governor-general of Finland, did not begin in a very reassuring way. As soon as he arrived in Helsinki he held an official reception, which was attended by a number of representative Finns. At the close he said to them: "I shall see you, gentlemen, at your work, and form my appreciation of you accordingly. I request you to remain quietly at your posts and to discharge your duties conscientiously. If you do, I can assure you that your interests, your personal peace, and the peace of your families shall be dear to me." The yelled menace in this address has excited some lively misgivings. Later he received a deputation of members of the Old Finnish party, whose spokesman, the Rev. Joshua Johansson, said that the estates of Finland would be prepared, doubtless, to make sacrifices to obtain such conditions as would satisfy the needs of the people and their conception of legality. The people, he added, are looking eagerly forward to the day when harmony and confidence shall be restored. He implored the new governor-general to use his influence in a spirit of peace and conciliation and make himself acquainted with the conditions and laws of the country. "If you do so you will find in Finland a people which desires to discharge faithfully its duty towards its sovereign and the empire at the same time, as it wishes to maintain itself as a separate people and to develop its own civilization and its institutions on the ground once laid by its forefathers." To this address his reply was made, and the newspapers were forbidden to comment upon it. The report that a Diet will be convoked this year causes little enthusiasm, as the dictatorial powers of the governor deprive that body of all importance or influence.

The wheat crop of the United States will show a decrease of about a hundred million bushels compared with last year, and will be the smallest since 1897. This is not the result of a smaller acreage, but of unfavorable weather. We are sorry for the American farmer, but we are pleased to know that if he is to suffer from misfortunes, his brethren in Canada will profit thereby. Our northwest grows the best wheat in the world. Apparently, also, the climate is the most reliable in the world for the raising of wheat.

Mr. Borden, leader of the Conservative party, is touring Eastern Canada without a single colleague of prominence to uphold his hands. There are half a dozen would-be leaders who believe defeat will prove Mr. Borden's incapacity and unfit him for his present position. They prefer not to be too prominently identified with a losing cause, which, they imagine, might prejudice their chances of securing the post. And this is the party which is so confident of success.

Foster, the derelict politician, the supporter of resolutions setting forth that if and when Great Britain gives Canada a preference in her markets Canada will be prepared to reciprocate this cold-blooded patriot and equally cold-blooded individual, rejected of many constituencies, sneeringly remarks that he is pleased to hear Sir Wilfrid Laurier is not opposed to closer trade relations with Great Britain.

The speech of Sir Hibbert Tupper reminds us of a remark made by another Canadian public celebrity: "That fellow is the biggest liar I ever met." Sir Hibbert said Sir Wilfrid Laurier received pay as leader of the opposition.

Vehement, but unproven, asseverations of corruption never yet defeated a government. Wild and reckless charges, but recoil on the heads of those who launch them.

POLITICAL ABUSE.

To the Editor:—I have read the report of Tupper's speech at last evening's entertainment to the Liberal-Conservatives. It is only abuse, obvious evidence that he has no case against the government. It is an unkindly production, a sign of the degeneration of the would-be statesman. "Throw plenty of mud; some is sure to stick," is the advice of Dr. Whately if my memory is correct, but in this instance it will not even stain, let alone stick.

Long has this people suffered from the Conservative maladministration of the affairs of this province. Were the Liberals or Conservatives involved in the late Kootenay scandal? Was a Liberal or Conservative involved in the Channay Creek contract? Were Liberals or Conservatives unseated in some of the election scandals at Esquimalt and Victoria? Purity, indeed! Are the pure ones Conservatives? If so, the evidence and our recent experience in this province are to the contrary. I am sorry that the young political colt, otherwise the young mare, should prattle about Conservative purity when his parries helped to expose the political impurity of certain public transactions.

If Tupper the younger has not better material to place before the Liberal-Conservatives, his case is surely lost.

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Her parting smile.

By rivers deep, in wood and shady dell,
We heard her song;
The echoes wakened where she loved to dwell,
The whole day long.

She came to paint the rose, the wayside flower,
The poppy gay;
But now has dawned—ah! met her parting hour,
She must away.

Let her sigh and mark her quick-drawn breath,
As though in pain;
At thought of parting and the coming death
That soon shall reign.

A last warm kiss she presses on the lips
Of nature's face,
Or nature's face—a sigh—then off she trips
With dainty grace.

Away, away, in other climes to smile
Through golden day,
And with her gay and merry mood beguile
The hours away.

Good-bye, then, summer, sunshine, birds
And flowers,
Since we must part;
But cheerless all the shady nooks and
lawns
And cold my heart.

So true and constant, thou wilt come again
With sunshine bright;
And sunny winter from the hill and plain
Will part to fight.

Good-bye till then—I'll watch for thee away,
My hope sustains
With thought of thy return, and that bright day
Thou'll reign again.

THE AULD BRIG.

Glasgow Herald.

The Auld Brig o' Ayr, made famous by Ayr's most famous son, has been reopened for traffic. Some four months ago it was closed by order of the authorities because it was considered unsafe. A native of the town had left £10,000 for the purpose of keeping it in thorough repair, but the terms of the will were not sufficiently explicit, and the matter went into the law courts. Pending the settlement of the case the town council closed the bridge and set to work to make sure that it would not be still further destroyed by the floods and tides. On this they have spent £1,000, and now the old arches are supported strongly by wooden erections underneath, capable of bearing the full weight of the bridge should the foundations give way, as they threaten to do. By and by, when the law suit is over, the work of making the foundations secure will be tackled, that is if the £10,000 comes to the bridge as the testator intended. If it does not come, the money will have to be raised in some other way, for it would never do to let Ayr's principal attraction fall into ruin, and so deprive citizens of his credit as a prophet. He foretold for it a long, long life.

MR. BORDEN'S VARIOUS "POLICIES."
Montreal Herald.
It is to be hoped he will be able to get through without losing either of his policies. His railway policy, which has been openly repudiated by a most influential group of Montreal Conservatives, headed by Sir Geo. Drummond, is not believed to be held in very high favor by his leading Ontario supporters, and the trade policy, with its "hypocritical" appendage, is openly repudiated by his friends and followers, Mr. Kennedy. It will be quite interesting to see how he wears through.

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This evening Rev. R. J. McIntyre, of the Victoria West Methodist church, and his bride will return after a sojourn at Revelstoke, Okanagan and other interior points. Rev. Mr. McIntyre left the city some weeks ago for Sandon, where he was married to Miss Ada Pound, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Pound. Describing this event the Methodist Recorder says: "An event of unusual interest was celebrated at Sandon on Wednesday, the 17th inst., when Rev. R. J. McIntyre, of Victoria, and formerly of Sandon, was united in marriage to Miss Ada Pound, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Pound. The ceremony which took place at the residence of the bride's parents, was performed by Rev. James Calvert, Rev. Mr. Brown (Presbyterian) and Rev. Father Jennette (Roman Catholic) being present, besides the immediate friends of the contracting parties. The bride is a niece to Messrs. W. C. and C. F. Pound, of Vernon, and cousin to Rev. Dr. A. C. Courtice, former editor of the Christian Guardian, Toronto. She has been a valued worker in the church at Sandon. Rev. Mr. McIntyre will resume his duties as pastor of Victoria West church on Sunday.

A meeting of Liberals will be held this evening at 8 o'clock at Labor hall to consider organization. A large attendance is requested.

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NO. 2 VIEW STREET.

A beautiful two story bungalow is being erected on Rockland Avenue for Alexis Martin of this city. S. MacInure, the architect, has prepared a very pretty design. The contractors are Ash & Gleason.

The moonlight excursion of the Centennial Methodist church have come to be regarded as features of the summer's enjoyment, and have always been well patronized. That which is to be held to-night promises to be no exception to the rule.

City vocalists are invited to attend a meeting for the organization of a festival chorus on Tuesday evening, September 27th. The meeting will be held in the city hall commencing at 8 o'clock. The subject will be freely discussed, and the intention is to organize a chorus. The conductor, committee of management, etc., will be elected by the members of the chorus.

Yesterday afternoon a parlor meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the residence of Mrs. Teague, Fernwood road. A pleasant time was spent by all present. Arrangements for dispensing refreshments at the exhibition next week were discussed. As has been previously mentioned, the W. C. T. U. will have a rest tent on the fair grounds, where all visitors will be cordially welcomed.

Edgar Fawcett, Victoria Arm, has demonstrated that Vancouver Island can produce peaches second to none grown in any part of the world. Specimens of the fruit grown by him are on exhibition in the window of Waitt & Co.'s store, Government street. The peaches have attracted a great deal of attention. They are perfect in shape, and very large. The coloring of the fruit is also very fine, and the quality of the flesh of these peaches is unexcelled.

The concerts given by "the Pierrots" at the Dallas hotel continue to become more attractive. These popular English entertainers are now facing the accommodation provided in the spacious ball room of the hotel. Last evening there were five hundred present. This programme given was a complete change from any before. With eleven numbers on it, eight encores were accorded. On Monday evening an entire change of programme will be given.

At 11 o'clock on Wednesday morning the wedding of Mr. Basil J. Jayne and Miss Florence E. Davis, eldest daughter of Rev. J. Hardwick Davis, rector of Bicheley, Kent, England, was celebrated at St. James's church, says the Vancouver News-Advertiser. The bride was attended by her younger sister, Miss Saffie Davis, and the groomsmen were Mr. Horace W. Smith. The happy couple left on the Victoria boat for Seattle and Puget Sound ports.

The committee of the Yorkshire Society of British Columbia met at Secretary Peterson's office last night, when it was arranged to hold the quarterly society meeting in the Pioneer hall on Thursday evening, September 29th. A special good time is expected. Several addresses will be given, and H. Cuthbert will also be present with some of his illustrious tourist pictures. All Yorkshiremen, whether members of the society or not, are invited. No admission will be charged, and there will be no collection.

The ladies of the Congregational church have been industriously engaged for the past week preparing for their annual sale of work to be held in the school room of the church during the afternoon and evening of February 4th. Many beautiful and useful articles have been prepared, which will then be offered to the public. The committee in charge have arranged for several new features this year, notably, the Corner Grocery and the Produce Stall. Being grateful for the generous patronage of the public on former occasions the ladies venture to hope for the same this year.

The annual exhibition of the Cowichan Agricultural Society, which opened at Duncan today, will far surpass any former exhibition given at that progressive little town. To-morrow will be the most favorable day for visiting the show when the judging will be all completed, and also for the reason that the field sports and games will take place in the afternoon. A band from this city under the leadership of Sgt. W. V. North will be in attendance to-morrow, and will not doubt enliven the proceeding considerably. A specially-reduced rate of one dollar return will be in effect to-morrow from this city, tickets good to return until Sunday.

Steamer Princess Victoria left Vancouver at 1.30, and connected with the train.

Parties are out searching in the direction of the Nanaimo lakes for Alfred Baker, of Nanaimo, who became separated from a hunting party a few days ago. Volunteers have gone out from the city and scoured the woods in every direction. So far all search has been unsuccessful.

John Cain, the promoter of a scheme to run a railway to the north end of Vancouver Island, with ferry connections from that point north, has gone back to New York again to confer with the syndicate he represents. It is understood that Mr. Cain is still hopeful of negotiating a deal with the provincial government.

In preparing for the laying of the permanent sidewalks on Pandora street the city engineer has encountered a number of fences which are on the street between Douglas and Blanchard. These are on the north side of the street, and will have to be moved back. Work on the walk in this block has been delayed for a little until the objectionable fences are altered to their proper places.

The annual Spanish exhibition opened this morning, and will continue to-morrow. Besides the variety of splendid agricultural exhibits a programme of sports has been arranged. These will include horse and foot races and other contests. Trains will leave the V. & S. station to-morrow at 7 a. m., 11 a. m. and 2 p. m., returning at an early hour in the evening. Every effort has been made by the management to provide for the entertainment of those attending.

AM. Graham has an important notice of motion on the city hall bulletin board. It is to the effect that a change in the method of imposing water rates be instituted, and that they be based on the actual amount of water used. This will strike the ratepayers as a much-needed improvement. Under the present method, if one has a meter, despite the fact that he uses only half the amount of water to which he is entitled, he has to pay what is known as a minimum charge regulated by the number of rooms in his house.

The funeral of the late H. Edmunds took place at Lady Smith on Tuesday, his being the first body to be laid in the new cemetery. The funeral respect in which the unfortunate victim of Sunday's accident was held and the sympathy felt for the family he leaves mourning in far off Wales was shown by the large attendance, all classes of the community being represented in the long procession which followed the remains to the grave. The beautiful burial service of the Church of England was read by Rev. R. J. Bowen, and the Masonic ritual was read by Worshipful Master Fraser, of St. John's lodge.

"Silver salmon are running well, and the heaviest run is yet to come, according to cannermen," says the Puget Sound American. "The Astoria & Puget Sound Packing Company has for the last ten days been canning an average of about 3,000 fish daily. The Schome Canning Company have canned from 25,000 to 30,000 silvers in the last two weeks. The Astoria & Puget Sound Packing Company gets its fish from the Nooksack and Skagit rivers and around Lummi Island. The Schome cannery has been getting its salmon principally from the Indians, who are fishing in Cape Flattery. The company has just placed a trap off the cape, and on Sunday about 100 fish were taken."

On Wednesday last at St. Michael's church, Lake district, a pretty wedding was celebrated, the contracting parties being Mr. Christopher John Leat, of Victoria, and Miss Ada Helen Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Daniels, of Sunnyside Farm, Lake district. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. R. Connell in the presence of a large number of relatives and intimate acquaintances. Mr. Alfred Daniels supported the groom, and Miss May Daniels acted as bridesmaid. The bride was given away by her father. A reception was afterwards held at the residence of the bride's parents, when a large number took advantage of the opportunity to congratulate the newly-married couple.

Describing the opening session of the annual convention of the Photographers' Association at Tacoma, which is being held at the Hotel Victoria, a dispatch says: "More than a hundred photographers have arrived in Tacoma to attend the three days' convention of the Photographers' Association of the Pacific Northwest. The most of the morning session was spent in preliminary arrangements for the opening of the convention. At the opening of the afternoon session, Mayor George P. Wright made an address of welcome, which was followed by a response by President Milton Loryea, of Spokane. A number of short speeches were made by prominent photographers upon the subject, 'Good of the Association.' A committee, consisting of A. L. Jackson, of Tacoma; George Braas, of Seattle; and Chas. B. Botterworth, of Portland, was appointed to select a series of ten views from the photographs on exhibit to be sent to the convention of the National Photographers' Association meeting at St. Louis next month."

MINERAL SPECIMENS

Silver and Lead Exhibits From Interior British Columbia Arriving for Show.

Roland Machin has just received from the Trail smelter an interesting exhibit for the fair, which opens next week. It is a sixty-pound bar of silver valued at about \$340. This has been deposited in one of the banks awaiting the opening of the fair.

In addition to this, he has received nine cases from the upper country containing a variety of lead products from the British Columbia production of that mineral. This will also be of special interest to residents at the Coast. The mineral exhibit will be a very attractive one. In itself it will be well worth visiting the Victoria show to see. There is to be displayed at the show specimens of the Bertelmeier apple. This German variety comes from Spence's Bridge, and is not known to be grown anywhere else in the province.

RUSSIAN REPORTS MAY CAUSE ALARM

AND AFFECT TRADE FROM AMERICAN SIDE

The Stiff Price of Wheat Leaves Poor Demand for Tonnage—North-ern Weeks.

Doubtless the report given out from Russia that the Vladivostok cruisers have been repaired and have actually put to sea with the ostensible object of preying on Japanese commerce will have an important effect on the shipping interests of this coast. When the Russian cruisers were crippled and scattered by the Japanese fleet a feeling of security was given which American shippers were not slow to take advantage of. The shipments of rails for the construction of a railway in Korea and other cargo, which Russia would unhesitatingly pronounce contraband, have been rushed to the coast to be forwarded to the Far East. Tramp steamers have been chartered for carrying it, and trade generally with the Far East was beginning to assume normal conditions.

With a fleet of fast cruisers likely to put to sea at any moment, if indeed they have not as reported already started on their expedition, the situation will soon change. The alarm created by the reports originating in San Francisco that the Korea is cruising off the coast only created a temporary excitement, which has now passed. After the Lena's unexpected arrival no one can deny the possibility of another ship of the same class crossing the Pacific.

And the question naturally suggests itself to the shipping mind here whether, in view of what has happened or is likely to happen, the plans of the British Pacific squadron will be so formulated as to leave Commodore Goodrich and his flagship, the Grafton, in close proximity to Esquimaux for an indefinite time. A cruise to Honolulu had been contemplated for some time, but has been deferred longer than many had anticipated, and if the events in the Far East in any way affect her movements there is little prospect of her going away for many weeks yet.

FROM BEHRING SEA.

Steamer Victoria has returned to the Sound from Nome with no news of the Victoria sealers working in Behring Sea. She brings news of a party on the verge of starvation and threatened with scurvy, having been found at a lonely trading post on the Kamchatka peninsula. The party was composed of Cecil Meares, representing the London firm of Crompton & Schwabe, and Valentine Kouskouski and his wife and child. Meares has been engaged in trading with the Siberian natives for furs and whalebone for several years. Kouskouski acted as his assistant.

According to the story told in the Seattle Times, the company last year chartered a Japanese vessel at Yokohama to take the party to their destination on the Kamchatka peninsula. After their arrival there was broke out between Russia and Japan, and the Japanese merchantmen did not dare to venture into Siberian waters. Meares was not aware that the Japanese government was at war with another nation, and toward the latter part of last May, toward the arrival of the boat with provisions and supplies for the summer, day after day he watched for the vessel, but it did not come. Finally, on June 2nd, the schooner Emma Claudina hove in sight with the news that Meares was to be taken to Nome.

The party embarked on the schooner, and at Nome boarded the Victoria for Seattle. The officers of the Victoria also bring advice that the gasoline schooner Duxbury, one of the first boats to sail north this year, is on the beach at Nome, and will probably be going in pieces by the continual beating of the surf. Cecil Meares is authority for the report that the Northwestern Commercial Company's schooner Lily L. was wrecked near East Cape in July. The members of the crew reached shore in safety in small boats. The vessel was a total loss.

SHIPPED TO PORTLAND.

The Portland Telegram says: "James H. Hitt has asked E. H. Hartman to transport 3,000 tons of steel to Hongkong. The plates were shipped from Eastern mills to Puget Sound, and were to have been sent from the Northern Pacific terminal on Hill steamers to the Pacific coast. The reason for the Northern Pacific action in desiring the steel shipped from this city to the Orient is not clear to shipping men, but it is believed the war situation has influenced the action of the Northern Pacific. It cannot be learned here what action the Hartman interests will take in the matter."

SHIPPING BUSINESS.

R. P. Richey & Co.'s monthly freight and shipping report for August is as follows:

"Wheat has advanced steadily during the month and has now reached an exceedingly high figure, offering no inducement for export business, even with the low freight ruling. There is therefore little demand for grain vessels. Several charters have been made at about combination rates, which are 22c. 6d. for San Francisco, with 26c. 3d. and 27c. 6d. for Puget Sound and Portland landing. Vessels outside of the combination can be let at a small reduction on these figures. The lumber market continues weak with little change from last month's quotations."

"We quote freights as follows: 'Grain—San Francisco to Cork, f. o., 22c. 6d.; Portland to Cork, f. o., 27c. 6d.; Tacoma and Seattle to Cork, 26c. 3d.' 'Lumber—British Columbia or Puget Sound to Sydney, 30c. to 31c. 3d.; Melbourne or Adelaide, 33c. 6d. to 34c. 3d.'"

Port Pirie, 35c. to 36c. 3d.; Fremantle, 45c. to 47c. 6d.; Shanghai, 35c. to 36c. 3d.; Taku, 45c. to 47c. 6d.; West Coast, South America, 36c. 3d. to 37c. 6d.; South Africa, 55c. to 57c. 6d.; United Kingdom or Continent, 50c. to 55c."

LOST THEIR LAUNCH.

C. M. Thordyke and V. McFarland have returned to Junction, Alaska, having lost their gasoline launch, Carrie Nation, while on a voyage to Eagle river. Barney Bartwell, the engineer, was sitting the engine when suddenly there was a puff and explosion, and the boat was a sheet of flame. The three occupants had just time to throw themselves out of the windows to save their lives. It took but a few moments for the fire to do its work. Nothing could be done to save the boat or contents.

WILL SOON TERMINATE.

The week-end excursions to points on the Sound which have been given by the Alaska Steamship Company during the tourist season will be continued only until October 3rd. It is not announced yet how long the double daily service will be provided, but it is expected that one of the company's steamers now running will be withdrawn during the coming month.

MARINE NOTES.

The amount of freight now lying at White Horse awaiting transportation to Dawson is estimated at 3,000 tons, in addition to a number of cattle.

THE SHEARWATER HAS ARRIVED AT COMOX

Officers of the Vessel Deny the Report That the Ship Was Ashore.

A special to the Times from Nanaimo to-day reports that H. M. S. Shearwater arrived at Comox at 7 o'clock last night, having finished her patrolling duties in Behring sea for the present season. On her arrival inquiry was made of the officers if the ship had been ashore, and a denial of the rumor published was obtained. The cruiser had met with no mishap on the trip, north or south, and officers were surprised to hear of the reports that she had.

The Shearwater has been on duty in the north since the beginning of August, when the sealing season opened. Reports of the work done by the fleet were not obtained. The Shearwater will probably remain at Comox for a short time. Soon after returning she is to receive a redit preparatory to recommissioning.

AN AMUSING CASE.

Mrs. Verdere Failed to Move Her Charge in Police Court.

Habitues of the police court this morning did not get a little entertainment from the investigation of an assault case in which Mrs. Verdere, who lives on Richmond avenue, was the complainant, and a middle-aged little Jap about four feet high the defendant. The chief conducted the prosecution, and J. P. Walls appeared for the accused.

In vigorous style and with a multitude of flourishes Mrs. Verdere said she was on her way to town on the 14th when she saw the accused driving cows in the direction of her house and just a little distance away, she drove the cows back and the Jap ran towards her, tearing the string and crown off her hat. She called for help, but did not strike her assailant. On the contrary, she held the whip he had in his hand to prevent him from striking her. She admitted grabbing the Jap's hat.

The fun commenced when Mr. Walls undertook the very delicate task of cross-examining the witness. She appeared to regard the counsel as a fierce opponent, and handed him out some doubtful bouquets at every opportunity. He was questioning her as to the exact spot where the alleged assault occurred, when she broke out with: "I won't answer any more questions; you needn't ask them."

"Mr. Walls—How far was it from your home?" Complainant—"I don't know; I can't say."

Mr. Walls (persuasively)—"Try." Complainant—"You heard what I said."

Mr. Walls—"Did you take the whip from him and strike him with it?" Complainant (with great indignation)—"No, I didn't strike him. He had hold of me by the throat."

Mr. Walls—"Did you tear his hat?" Complainant (suppose I grabbed his hat. Do you think I'm a man attack me like that? No, never. He hit me and I held on to the whip. I tell you I was in danger of my life."

When the complainant uttered these words every eye was turned towards the accused. He certainly did not look very vicious. In fact, he sat there as though he felt that he was presumptuous in being on the earth. "Now, haven't you been in the habit of abusing that boy?" continued Mr. Walls, bracing himself up for what was to follow. "He had no business around my place," replied the complainant in withering scorn. "I won't talk to you. What a fool you are and ask such questions as that."

The speaker continued to pour the vitas of her wrath on the counsel when the magistrate ordered her not to talk so much. "I got on better with her than you did," the chief remarked to Mr. Walls, who returned no denial.

Continuing, the witness admitted that she had been in the habit of setting her dog on the cows, but not on the Jap.

Eventually the late complainant took her seat, and Mr. Walls called Mrs. Verdere, a lady who resided in the vicinity. She said that Mrs. Verdere was the aggressor, that she struck the Jap with her whip on the mouth (trying for help all the time) and tore his hat.

The case was dismissed.

Mr. Walls wanted the complainant bound over to keep the peace, as he feared she would harm the last witness. The magistrate pointed out, however, that he would have to make a regular complaint and prove that threats were used.

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PERSONAL.
Yesterday a party of Knights Templar arrived from the Sound on their way East after having attended the recent convention at San Francisco. En route Commander Sir Owen C. Hilditch is in charge, and accompanying him are Mrs. Hilditch and Miss H. Ross, Sir David G. Richards, and Capt. J. H. McMillan and Mrs. McMillan, of Anderson, Ind.; Sir H. W. Watt, H. Porter and G. W. Schepman and Mrs. Schepman, of Richmond, Ind. They are taking a tour of interest to-day, visiting Beacon Hill, Oak Bay and Esquimaux, among other places. To-morrow morning the party will take the steamer Princess Victoria for Vancouver, making the trip home via the C. P. R. While in the city they are guests at the Dominion hotel.

Guy H. Simpson, of the Mechanics' Supply Company, Quebec, is in the city. He is returning after having made an extensive tour of the Eastern and Western states. Among other places Mr. Simpson visited the St. Louis exposition and was much impressed with the excellence of the Canadian exhibit. He spent three days there and then continued his trip towards the Pacific Coast. Mr. Simpson will leave to-morrow for Vancouver, taking the C. P. R. East.

About twenty-five tourists, composing a Raymond-Whitcomb party, are in the city to-day. They arrived this morning, and during the day have taken in many of the points of interest about the city. The most of the party belong to the East. Jas. Murdoch, of Edinburgh, Scotland, however, is among them. They expect to leave this evening. During their stay in Victoria the party are making their home at the Driford.

H. H. Lochbaum, Jr., Theo. Goodman and wife, and Mrs. R. Goodman, of San Francisco; Ernest Geddis, of Vancouver; H. Thompson, of Seattle; P. H. Tirrell, of Providence; Chas. E. Tirrell, of South Weymouth, Mass.; C. R. Patterson and wife, and J. H. Robinson and wife, of Wilmington; C. Taylor, of Everett; and Mrs. A. R. Newman, of Tacoma, are at the Driford.

L. A. Gill, formerly of Victoria, but now of the Terminal City, is spending his holidays in his old home. Mr. Gill, as will be remembered, was a member of the I. O. O. F. "Big Four," and has steadfastly declined to bend an ear with the Vancouver crew against them.

Attorney-General Wilson is still confined to the hospital. He is regaining strength and is expected to be in his office in about a couple of days. The Attorney-General's sickness has been much more serious than it was at first believed it would be.

Archibald Duncan, an English sportsman, has returned to Victoria after spending six weeks fishing on the Campbell river. He is delighted with the trip and regards British Columbia as an excellent field for fishermen.

J. L. McDowell, chief operator in the Western Union telegraph office, Seattle, is visiting the city on business and pleasure combined. He is accompanied by Mrs. McDowell. They are guests at the Dominion hotel.

A tourist party from Charleston, are at the Driford. It is composed of J. N. Nahlauer, Miss V. D. Nahlauer, Mrs. G. Nahlauer, Mrs. S. S. Cohen, Mrs. Z. Solomon and Miss C. Solomon.

Miss Eriet Webster, of London, Eng., is a guest of Mrs. S. MacInure, of this city. Miss Webster is a well known miniature painter, and will spend some time in this city.

Mrs. A. Koenig, proprietress of the Shawanigan Lake hotel, is registered at the Dominion hotel. She has just returned after enjoying a holiday on the Mainland.

Wm. Russell and Miss Russell, of Bathgate, Scotland; B. E. Short and wife, of England; and J. A. Knox, of Toronto, are staying at the Victoria hotel.

Robt. Penny, a commercial traveller, of San Francisco; J. H. Blockley, of Nanaimo; and R. Thompson, of Ontario, are registered at the Victoria hotel.

Geo. R. Johnson, of Golden; W. H. Lewis and A. C. Stewart, of Vancouver; and Geo. Higgle, of Enderby, are guests at the Victoria hotel.

E. E. Blackwood, C. E. Lang, Richard Hall, M. P. P., and F. W. Adams left this morning for up the E. & N. railway.

Superintendent Livingstone, of the Tyee mine, accompanied by Mrs. Livingstone and daughter, are guests at the Dallas.

Mrs. J. Morrison, wife of the Governor of Idaho, left this morning for the East after a brief sojourn in Victoria.

Mrs. J. Huddan, M. D., of Denver, Colo., is in the city. She is registered at the Victoria hotel.

H. W. Westervelt, of St. Paul, and Miss Westervelt, of Portland, are at the Vernon. F. L. Wilson, of Monterey, is in the city. He is among the guests at the Dominion.

R. J. Jones and bride, of Vancouver, are spending the honeymoon at the Dallas. Fred. White, of the Nickel Plate mine, at Hedley City, is in the city.

The hulk Oregon left yesterday at noon for Ladysmith, where she will load coal for Alaska. While on the ways of the Victoria Machinery Depot, the vessel received a double coat of paint, some new copper was partially sheathed and had repairs made for her stoker engine, and repairs made for her stoker engine, and repairs made for her stoker engine, and repairs made for her stoker engine.

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THE SLOCUM DISASTER.

Report of Steamboat Inspectors—Lack of Discipline Among the Crew.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 23.—The local board of steamboat inspectors, which has been investigating the General Slocum steamboat disaster last summer, has completed its work, says the Herald, and submitted its report to Robert S. Bodie, the supervising inspector. The report, which is signed by Jas. A. Dumont and Thomas H. Barrett, contains the following principal points:

That the fire on the steamboat was discovered at the upper end of the Sunken Meadows and that North Brother island was the nearest available point to beach the steamship.

That the life preserving appliances on the vessel were adequate, but that the General Slocum had been supplied with double the number of another life would have been saved because of the ignorance and incompetency of the crew.

That there was an absolute lack of discipline on the part of the crew because of the negligence of the master and of the pilot.

That fire drills had been neglected and that had the crew been trained as the law requires such a disaster would have been almost inconceivable.

That one of the crew, in his ignorance, added to the incipient flames by throwing thereon empty bags which had contained charcoal.

That the chief engineer was grossly negligent, was notified of fire, that he did not see the hose had been connected and the water turned on.

That the licenses of Wm. H. Van Schneck, master, and Pilot Edward Van Wart, and Benjamin E. Conklin, chief engineer, be revoked.

FIGHTING AMONG STRIKERS

Occurred During Stampede of Workmen to Secure Employment.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Sept. 23.—The nine months' struggle of the machinists and boiler-makers of the Chicago, Lake Shore & Eastern railroad against a ten per cent. wage reduction is at an end. The committee announced they would renege as soon as the former employees as possible at the lower wages. The result was a stampede of more than half of the 400 strikers, which caused fighting and brought out the police.

SEEKING TERRITORY.

France Endeavoring to Secure a Portion of the Liberian Republic.

(Associated Press.)

Lagos, Sept. 23.—Sir Harry Johnston, the well-known traveler and former consul-general for the Uganda protectorate, who recently returned here from a visit to Liberia, is quoted in an interview as saying there is no doubt that France is endeavoring to secure as a result of the boundary dispute a portion of the territory of the Liberian republic.

WILL BE SETTLED.

(Associated Press.)

Pekin, Sept. 23.—Afternoon.—The conflict between Chinese and Italian soldiers on September 15th, during which one of the Italians fired two shots into the residence of Gen. Chiang, the Chinese commander-in-chief, has given rise to nothing serious. The incident will be terminated by an apology, which, however, has not yet been tendered.

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PREPARATIONS FOR THE HORSE RACES

TRAINING DAILY ON EXHIBITION TRACK

Some Fast Contests Promised for Last Three Days of Show—Other Notes.

"Will the present spell of fine weather extend over exhibition week?" This is an interrogation that is frequently heard among many of those anxious that the forthcoming fair should prove a financial success. Members of the executive have labored so hard in making preparations that the consensus of opinion is that they have earned such a result. Apparently nothing has been omitted. The programme is complete and Secretary Swinerton and staff are now located in their new offices at the exhibition buildings supervising the arrangement of interior displays and the accommodation of stock as it arrives from the mainland or neighboring districts.

The exhibition buildings and grounds present a busy scene at present. Carpenters through the interior of the main building, and all are actively engaged constructing stands for the exhibits of manufacturers. On the grounds gangs of workmen are employed. Some are constructing a pavilion back of the restaurant for the boxing tourney and the miners' drilling contest, while others are looking after repairs to the stalls and out-houses. All work, however, is being done systematically. Nobody understands better than Secretary Swinerton the necessity for economy where it is possible. But, while there will be no rash expenditure, all repairs will be finished by the opening day of the show.

Probably there are no more active men at the grounds these days than those in charge of horses entered for the races, which take place on Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoons. Some of the fastest of the mainland and sound are stabled at the track, and will be ready when the first contest is called. They exercise every day, the track having been put in first class condition, and some very good time has been made. When the horses already at the track are augmented by those expected from Portland and California, there will be gathered here as fine a lot of trotters and runners as could be desired.

This year's programme, which was published in the Times a short time ago, offers more inducements than the association has extended to owners of fast horses at previous exhibitions. In the first of the races, besides the usual purses of \$250, \$150, \$200 and \$300 respectively, there is the British Columbia colt race, for which is offered a "Dried" cup, presented by C. A. Harrison, proprietor of the hotel of that name. This is for trotting and pacing, and is open only to three-year-olds, bred, raised, trained and owned in British Columbia.

There are four races to be contested on the second day, and for each a handsome purse is offered. Saturday, however, will be the big day. The free-for-all, trotting and pacing, contest will attract all outside as well as some local horses. Four hundred and fifty dollars is the award, and the horse which wins will capture three heats out of five.

It is expected that the accommodation of the grand stand will be taxed to its utmost every day of the fair. On Tuesday the Association football match between the Army and Navy will be the attraction, on Wednesday there will be the "leaping the chasm" exhibition, and on Thursday there will be a final game of football between the winners of the first match and Victoria, and the horse races. The latter contests will also be the principal attractions on Friday and Saturday. From this it can be seen that entertainment has been provided for every afternoon.

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings band concerts have been arranged to be made for milk tests by Mr. Knight, of the Victoria creamery. This should be an interesting operation not only to farmers, but to the general public. It is announced that both restaurants on the grounds have been taken over by H. A. Miller, of the German Kitchen. Fifty and twenty-five cent dinners will be served, the former being available at any time of the day, and the latter between 1 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The fifty-cent lunch will be short orders, and arrangements are being made to provide a first class service. Visitors to the grounds may therefore depend upon being able to secure a splendid meal without leaving the grounds.

In an account published in these columns yesterday regarding the military manoeuvres at the exhibition, it was erroneously stated that the display would take place on Thursday afternoon. It is to be held on Wednesday. The sailors and soldiers are preparing for the sham battle, a final rehearsal having been held this morning.

SUDDEN DEATH.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Sept. 23.—A cablegram received here announces the sudden death by apoplexy in London of Samuel Ives Curtis, senior professor of the Chicago Theological Seminary, and a leading Presbyterian churchman of the west.

INVESTIGATING CASE.

Young Ladies Seized on the Burnside Road—Provincial Police Looking Into Matter.

The provincial police are working on a case which has created a small amount of excitement in the outlying part along the Burnside road. Two young ladies living in the neighborhood are reported to have been seized by a couple of young men while going along the road the night before last. The young ladies were very much alarmed. The young men are believed to be known to the provincial police.

THE SCOOP AT WORK.

Excavation For the C. P. R. Hotel Foundation Proceeding Actively.

Quite a crowd gathered on the James Bay causeway this morning to watch the big orange peel scoop save time and labor in the excavation of the site for the hotel foundation. The formidable machine has been stationed near the Belleville side, where houses for tools and the blacksmiths have been erected. The scoop swings on a powerful derrick and dropping the earth, like a great hand, empties the earth into a heap some distance away. The capacity of the scoop is two and a half cubic yards, and without interruption it can excavate about four hundred yards in an ordinary day. The start is being made on the line of the southern boundary. This is the first time a scoop of the kind has ever been used here, and it is an object of considerable curiosity. The arm on which it swings is about a hundred feet long.

DETECTIVES SPOTTED SLICK SHOPLIFTER

Case Would Cause Sensation if Investigated in Court—Suspect Caught in the Act.

The Victoria detectives had a case in hand last Saturday night which would produce a sensation were it to be ventilated in the police court, but as it is the intention of the parties concerned to institute a prosecution, the full details will never be known. The case deals with the theft of a number of articles from big local book and drygoods stores, which had been going on for a considerable period. A complaint was made to the police several months ago, and Detective Sergeant Palmer advised that the clerks keep their eyes on the suspected party when she entered the establishment.

On Saturday night the sergeant received a telephone message stating that the lady on whom suspicion fell was in the store. He dispatched Detective Macdonald to "shadow" the suspect, and this he did to perfection. The lady was in the store reading a book, and closely watching her from the outside, although apparently looking at the contents of the window, was the detective. Suddenly he saw her slip some books inside a cloak she wore, with her disengaged hand. Shortly afterwards she left the store and proceeded to a well-known dry goods store, followed by the detective. Right here Detectives Palmer and Perdue took a hand in the game. The former stationed himself at the Broad street entrance to the big store, while Detective Perdue loitered carelessly about in the centre of the place. After a time the lady quickly left the store through the Broad street door and walked towards the store.

She spoke to her by name, told her who he was, and remarked that she had in her possession some books that did not belong to her. She indignantly denied the accusation, but the detective was obdurate, and insisted on her accompanying him to the book store. On the way down he saw her hastily secret some object in her sleeve. On arriving at the book store he demanded that she produce it, which she did. He took it to the dry goods store, and found that it had been appropriated there. When he returned the prisoner had given up to the manager of the store the books taken by her. Neither proprietors desired to prosecute, so the matter went no further. The prisoner was released and permitted to return to her home.

GREAT NORTHERN CAR SHOPS.

Rumor Has It That Large Works Will Be Established Opposite New Westminster.

The New Westminster Columbian says: "Rumors have been plenty lately to the effect that President James J. Hill, of the Great Northern railway, intends erecting at Liverpool, opposite this city, large car shops in connection with the system of which he is president. The Great Northern railway own a water-front at Liverpool extending 2,250 feet along the bank of the Fraser, and this would offer plenty of room for the building of the proposed shops. It is understood that something definite will be known in a few days with regard to this matter."

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SHEIKH'S OFFER FOR TORONTO GIRL

HE IS READY TO PAY TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS

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"A young Toronto lady has just become involved as the heroine of an adventure of an Arabian Nights flavor, and which contains the essentials of an Oriental romance," says the Mail and Empire. "The lady in question is, not unnaturally, reluctant to allow her name to appear. She resides on Walmer road, however, and has recently returned from an extensive tour of Europe, Egypt, and the Holy Land. It was in the last-named region that the romance developed, and it was made clear that the graces of femininity are not less appreciated abroad than at home."

"While in Jericho this lady became acquainted with a Hebrew gentleman from Jerusalem, who had been converted to Christianity, and in addition to a thoroughly cosmopolitan culture, possessed a fine familiarity with the life of the Bedouin tribes of the desert. Through his introduction our Toronto tourist was enabled to visit a Bedouin encampment near Jericho, and to see the details of life under the black tents as few foreigners have been privileged to do. And while she was observing these novel details, the sheikh of the tribe was observing her with even greater interest. Jericho succumbed to Toronto. The son of the desert promptly fell in love."

"The lady had, of course, returned to the flame she had lighted, and thence to Toronto. The desert chieftain remained in his tent, presumably trying to think what to do. He could speak no English; he could not write, but he conceived the idea of making an ambassador of the Jewish gentleman who had introduced the lady to his camp."

"The lady had scarcely returned to Walmer road when she was surprised to receive, through her Jericho acquaintance, a proposal of marriage from the sheikh. It was couched in Oriental elaboration of phrase, and was equally Oriental in substance. The sheikh offered a price of \$200 for the lady's hand, cash on delivery."

"This, however, was on condition that the future wife would consent to make the bread and churn the butter, which is done afresh for every meal in the Bedouin camp. In case she should be disinclined for this, the price would be only \$125, and the remaining \$75 would be used to buy a slave, to perform these duties."

"In any case the wife would be expected to perform the usual woman's work of drawing water from the wells and carrying wood for the fire. However, as the wells near Jericho were inconveniently situated, the sheikh declared himself willing to move his camp to any other part of the desert that the lady should prefer. In fact, he was willing to make almost any concessions, and he hinted that his offer of \$200 might be stretched a little if it was too low. He was in no mood to stick at a few dollars more or less."

"Accompanying the letter came a number of beautiful Oriental articles of clay and brass, which the recipient exhibited to a representative of the Mail and Empire. These were sent by the gentleman of Jerusalem, and one, an arabic coffee-pot of copper, had travelled, unwrapped, through the mail from Jerusalem to Toronto without injury."

"Needless to say, the sheikh's offer will not be accepted. Lovers of the picturesque will perhaps regret this abortive ending to the romance. A Canadian princess of the desert would throw the American 'viceroy' of Indian into the shade."

SECURED MANY OPTIONS.

Representative of New York Syndicate Speaks Highly of Northern Quartz.

Tom Miller, who has been in the north securing options on quartz locations for New York capitalists, is on his way south from Dawson.

"I have secured 14 claims," said Mr. Miller to the Dawson Yukon World, "and each of them I have personally inspected, and the ore from each has been assayed and shows good workable values. Assays have been made by local men and by the government assay office, and also at Ottawa. I am fully satisfied my people in New York will be pleased with the proposition I have to offer them."

"I have spent the last two or three days about the departments here, enquiring as to the prospect of getting in a road to the mines and other matters. I must say I find all your officials, from Mr. Congdon down, extremely courteous and encouraging. They seem desirous of doing anything they can to encourage the development of quartz, and this is one point that adds to my enthusiasm in regard to the properties I have been able to secure options on. One proposition such as I have, if backed by substantial capital and energetically worked, will

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SIR H. M. STANLEY.

Sir Harry Johnston's Tribute to the Late Explorer.

As an intimate friend of the late Sir H. M. Stanley, Sir Harry Johnston's tribute, in Good Words, possesses unique interest. Touching on his personal appearance, he mentions that Stanley's hair was nearly white while in 1882, though it remained abundant to the end of his life. Three years later, on his return to England, he "very foolishly" discolored his hair. The result of various experiments with color restoratives was that his hair, for a time, became greenish-grey. During his trying experiences in Africa, the writer says the Stanley may have used many strong expressions in English, French or Swahili; but he never heard him use an indecent word.

He had then little fixed faith, but was very fond of quoting Tennyson's "In Memoriam." No host could have been more charming and considerate; he old explorer more free from petty jealousy. He was generally a friend of the negro. "I have never known any African explorer more universally praised by blacks than Stanley."

Sir Harry says that Stanley himself is to blame for the reputation that he has obtained of reckless bloodshed. He puts it rather aloofly. Stanley's employers were sensational journalists, and they "demanded, above all, sensational, hairbreadth escapes, the combats of an heroic few against uncountable savages. Though Stanley has been truthful as an explorer, he undoubtedly placed no check on his imagination in depicting the probable results of his battles on the Victoria Nyansa or on the Upper Congo. But if the cold truth could have been definitely known and stated it would probably have been found that from first to last in his various expeditions—in all the exploration that was under his own personal guidance—he has only been responsible for the death of six or seven hundred negroes between 1870 and 1890; and all these negroes fell as the result of attacking Stanley."

Harry attributes to Stanley's long stay in Uganda the saving of that country from Islamic and the gaining of it for civilization, which, with all its faults, is after all, the best kind of civilization as yet presented for the consideration of mankind. "And by the success or failure of our regeneration of Uganda must be measured the value of Stanley's work." What he did to establish the Congo Free State has had more dubious results. "The last year of his life was certainly embittered by the gradually growing conviction that he had been the indirect means of placing in the Congo basin a power more unscrupulous and more disastrous in its results than might have grown up under the flag of Islam." Yet it is "the discovery of the Congo which gives him a claim to the first place on the roll of African explorers."

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., September, 1904.
(Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
1	1:45.37	2.28	8:28.58	12.20	5.5	18.46	7.3	19.07
2	2:49.33	3.24	9:32.54	13.16	6.4	19.07	8.2	20.14
3	3:53.29	4.20	10:36.50	14.12	7.3	19.07	9.1	21.21
4	4:57.25	5.16	11:40.46	15.08	8.2	19.07	10.0	22.28
5	6:01.21	6.12	12:44.42	16.04	9.1	19.07	10.9	23.35
6	7:05.17	7.08	1:48.38	17.00	10.0	19.07	11.8	24.42
7	8:09.13	8.04	2:52.34	17.96	10.9	19.07	12.7	25.49
8	9:13.09	9.00	3:56.30	18.92	11.8	19.07	13.6	26.56
9	10:17.05	9.96	4:00.26	19.88	12.7	19.07	14.5	27.63
10	11:21.01	10.92	5:04.22	20.84	13.6	19.07	15.4	28.70
11	12:24.97	11.88	6:08.18	21.80	14.5	19.07	16.3	29.77
12	1:28.93	12.84	7:12.14	22.76	15.4	19.07	17.2	30.84
13	2:32.89	13.80	8:16.10	23.72	16.3	19.07	18.1	31.91
14	3:36.85	14.76	9:20.06	24.68	17.2	19.07	19.0	32.98
15	4:40.81	15.72	10:24.02	25.64	18.1	19.07	19.9	34.05
16	5:44.77	16.68	11:27.98	26.60	19.0	19.07	20.8	35.12
17	6:48.73	17.64	12:31.94	27.56	19.9	19.07	21.7	36.19
18	7:52.69	18.60	1:35.90	28.52	20.8	19.07	22.6	37.26
19	8:56.65	19.56	2:39.86	29.48	21.7	19.07	23.5	38.33
20	10:00.61	20.52	3:43.82	30.44	22.6	19.07	24.4	39.40
21	11:04.57	21.48	4:47.78	31.40	23.5	19.07	25.3	40.47
22	12:08.53	22.44	5:51.74	32.36	24.4	19.07	26.2	41.54
23	1:12.49	23.40	6:55.70	33.32	25.3	19.07	27.1	42.61
24	2:16.45	24.36	7:59.66	34.28	26.2	19.07	28.0	43.68
25	3:20.41	25.32	9:03.62	35.24	27.1	19.07	28.9	44.75
26	4:24.37	26.28	10:07.58	36.20	28.0	19.07	29.8	45.82
27	5:28.33	27.24	11:11.54	37.16	28.9	19.07	30.7	46.89
28	6:32.29	28.20	12:15.50	38.12	29.8	19.07	31.6	47.96
29	7:36.25	29.16	1:19.46	39.08	30.7	19.07	32.5	49.03
30	8:40.21	30.12	2:23.42	40.04	31.6	19.07	33.4	50.10

For time of high water add 14 minutes to H. W. at Victoria.

The time of low water standard for the 120 Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot. Regulate at Dry Dock. From observations during six months, May to October, compared simultaneously observations continued at Victoria by Mr. F. N. Deal.

Snakes may almost be said to have glass eyes, inasmuch as their eyes never close. They are without lids, and each is covered with a transparent scale, much resembling glass. When the reptile sheds its outer skin, the eye scales come off with the rest of the snake's skin. This glassy eye scale is so tough that it effectually protects the true eye from the fringes, sharp grass and other obstructions which the snake encounters in its travels; yet it is transparent enough to allow the most perfect vision. Thus, if the snake has not a glass eye, it may, at any rate, be said to wear glasses.

Some Armada relics, which have been recovered from the bottom of the sea, were sold recently at a London auction. A breech-loading cannon, with wind and ball still in position, brought \$275, when realized from 50 cents to \$1 a pair, stone cannon balls brought something like \$5 apiece, and two iron shot sold for \$10.

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